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ROOSEVELT PRESENTS SIX-POINT PROGRAMME TO CONGRESS



The Emperor of Annam, who was recently married to Miss Nguyen Hu Hao, daughter of a great Indo-Chinese mandarin, amid picturesque rites.—(S. & G.).

SUMMER'S EARLY ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND

Warmest April Day
For 40 Years.

CROWDS FLOCK TO COAST AND COUNTRYSIDE

London, To-day.
The warmest April day for 40 years was experienced over a large part of England yesterday, bringing with thousands of week-end holiday-makers who thronged the sea-side resorts and countryside.

The shade temperature in London touched 75 degrees Fahrenheit, four degrees higher than the average maximum temperature of July and August, which are normally the hottest months of the year.

The summer-like conditions resulted in a vast exodus from London. From the early hours of the day huge crowds streamed out of the city by road and railway. The roads leading to the coast were thronged with motor-cars throughout the day, while streams of traffic made an early invasion of the countryside. The upper reaches of the Thames swarmed with pleasure craft, summer frocks and flannels adding gaiety to the scene.—Reuter.

RIOTS AVOIDED IN FRANCE.

Government Quells
Civil Servants.

MANY TELEGRAPH OFFICIAL
DISMISSED.

Paris, To-day

The demonstrations staged throughout France yesterday by civil servants as a protest against the cuts in pay, passed off without incident.

The Prefects, under instructions from M. Albert Sarraut, Minister of Interior, refused to receive delegations wishing to present resolutions passed by demonstrators.

As a sequel to incidents at the Central and other telegraph offices in Paris, a score of officials, not stop on the Castle Peak Road, have been dismissed.—Reuter.

SENATE LEADERS CONSULTED

MONETARY LEGISLATION INCLUDED

INTERPRETED AS INDICATION OF MODERATE SILVER LEGISLATION

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WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, SENATOR KEY PITTMAN, AFTER THE SENATE LEADERS' CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, ON SATURDAY, SAID THAT THEY DISCUSSED ALL THE PENDING LEGISLATION. HE DECLINED TO COMMENT FURTHER.

Observers believe that the President, apparently, is still unsympathetic towards silver legislation, but may yield to Congressional pressure, particularly if such a move is necessary to insure the success of his tariff plans.

The item of monetary legislation in the White House statement continues to puzzle observers. It is learned that the Treasury Secretary, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, attended the conference, causing reports that silver was specifically discussed.

Mr. Morgenthau and the Senators declined to comment on the meeting. Answering a question as to whether President Roosevelt had rejected the silver proposals, Senator Smith said: "Let him talk. There are a damn lot of blockheads among the gold die-hards."—United Press Per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

FINANCIAL BILLS TO BE COMPLETED.

Reciprocal Tariffs On Programme.

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Washington, Yesterday.

After a 2½-hours' conference on Saturday, with the Senate leaders President Roosevelt has called Congress to enact a minimum six-point legislative programme.

The White House has announced that it is expected that Congress will dispose of:

Firstly, monetary legislation. Secondly, reciprocal tariffs.

Thirdly, the Revenue Bill.

Fourthly, Federal deposit insurance.

Fifthly, the Municipal Bankruptcy Bill.

Sixthly, stock exchange control.

The statement did not explain the reference to monetary legislation.

However, inquiry elicited the explanation that the phrase did not refer to any specific legislation, but that it was recognition of the likelihood of the enactment of some Bill, possibly the Dies Silver Bill, somehow affecting the currency situation.

Some interpret the statement as evidence that the Administration plans to enact a moderate silver Bill of some kind in an effort to quell the developing silver rebellion.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

EUROPEAN FAILS TO STOP.

Cook Knocked Down On Castle Peak Rd.

Chung Yuk-kam, a cook, was removed to the Kowloon Hospital, suffering from injuries to his right shoulder after being knocked down by a motor car said to have been driven by an European who did not stop on the Castle Peak Road on Saturday at 8.45 p.m.

Congress Monetary Conference.

Called by Senator Thomas

Washington, To-day.

A summons to all members of Congress to attend a monetary conference on April 23, has been issued by Senator Thomas, of Oklahoma, one of the leaders of the silver bloc, to consider every possible line of action towards settling America's monetary problems.

Silver remonetisation will be discussed first.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT URGES TWO BILLS.

Tariffs And Control Of Stock Market.

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Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt has urged the necessity of the passage of the Tariff Bills and stock market legislation.

He disapproved the coconut oil tax which is included in the new Tax Bill passed by the Senate on Friday, on the grounds that it might seriously hurt the economic conditions of the Philippines.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

BANKHEAD BILL IN FINAL STAGES.

Approved By Senate.

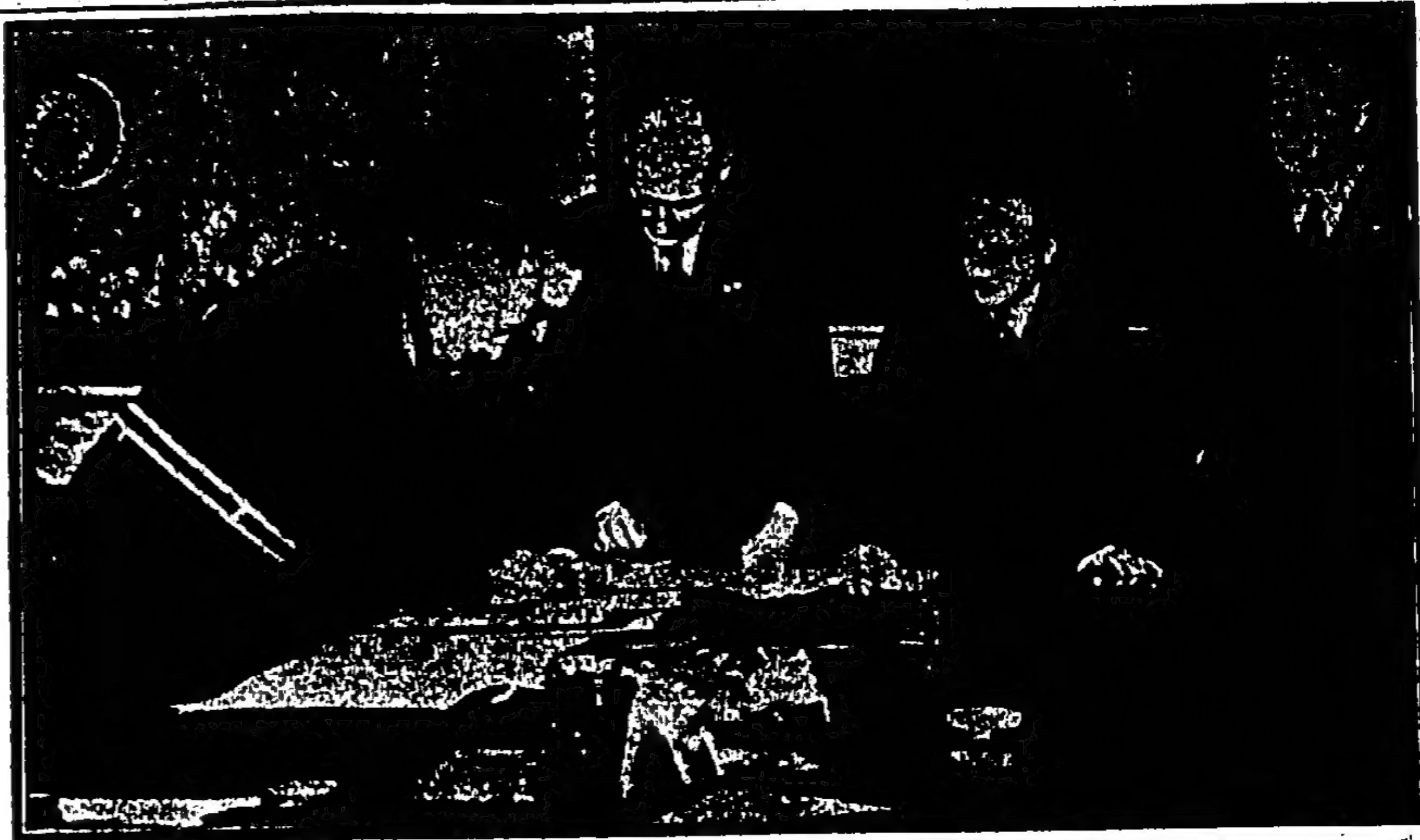
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Washington, To-day.

The United States Senate by 89 votes to 28, has accepted the Bankhead Bill for compulsory control of cotton.

The report now goes to the House of Representatives for final action.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.



The signing of the Three Power Pact. Signor Mussolini, on March 18, signed in Rome, the Three Power Agreement entered into by Italy, Austria and Hungary. Signor Mussolini is seen signing the Agreement while Dr. Dollfuss, the Austrian Chancellor, and General Goemboes, the Hungarian Premier, stand by waiting to sign.—(S. & G.).

BOND DEALINGS ON WALL ST.

Tremendous Interest
Last Week.

STOCKS IGNORED OWING TO UNCERTAINTY ON BILL.

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New York, To-day.

Wall Street is tremendously interested in bonds. Ignoring stocks until the Regulation Bill is clarified.

Last week \$91,871,000 of par value bonds were dealt with on the Stock Exchange, bringing the year's cumulative total to \$1,284,271,000, as compared with last year's corresponding total of \$781,200,000.

This is due to the lack of new issues, plus the increase in investment money in the available banks, and the desire for liquidity.

All these factors are booming bond prices.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

STOCK MARKET BILL REVISION.

Almost Completed By
House Sub-Committee.

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Washington, To-day.

The House of Representatives' inter-State sub-Committee has virtually completed the revision of the Stock Market Bill, and have approved the controversial section regarding segregating dealers and brokers, and also the provision concerning over-counter dealings.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

POLISH OFFICIALS IN CAR CRASH.

Chief Press Officer And
Wife Killed.

Warsaw, To-day.

Herr Ruecker, the chief Press Officer at the Polish Foreign Office, and his wife were instantly killed, and Herr Wrzosa, a prominent political journalist, was severely injured, in a motor smash near Radom, yesterday.

Herr Ruecker was well known at Geneva, and acted as Polish Press Officer at the League of Nations and the Disarmament Conference.

His wife was formerly Countess Lubienka.—Reuter.

NEW DUTCH MOVE IN RUBBER RESTRICTION REPORTED

Documents Stated To Have Been
Forwarded To Britain

The Hague, To-day.

The Dutch newspaper, "Maasbode," learns from a most reliable source that the British Government yesterday received from the Dutch government, documents in regard to proposals for rubber restriction.

A denial that an official statement of any kind was made or authorized by the Dutch Colonial Office, was understood to have been authorized by the Dutch Government on Friday.—Reuter.

FINANCING N.R.A. CODES

Firms' Contributions
Towards Expenses.

DEFAULTERS TO BE DEPRIVED OF "BLUE EAGLE"

New York, To-day.

A further step in the "regimentation of industry" taken by President Roosevelt by the issuing of an executive order whereby only firms contributing to the expenses of the Code Administration will be allowed to display the "Blue Eagle."

The non-payment of contributions will mean that the firms concerned will be deprived of the "Blue Eagle" emblem and all other Code privileges, and will be exposed to proceedings for the collection of money due.

At the same time, in order to protect employers from racketeering by organisers of industrial groups, all rates assessment in the various Codes and budgets of these Codes, must be approved by General Hugh Johnson, the National Recovery Administrator, before collection.—Reuter.

GENERAL HUANG FU IN SHANGHAI

Political Activity
Expected.

Shanghai, To-day.

Shanghai is expected to become a hive of political activity with the arrival this morning from Nanchang of General Huang Fu, Chairman of the Peking Military Council, on the China Merchants' vessel, Kiangshin, which he boarded at Kukiang.

General Huang Fu, who is staying at his own home in the French Concession, is expected to leave for Hangchow next week to pay his respects to the ancestral tomb. It is not yet known whether and when he will return to the North.—Reuter.

COLD SPELL WILL LAST TWO DAYS

Lowest Temperature
Since 1925.

55.1 DEGREES AT 3 O'CLOCK
THIS MORNING

The present low temperatures are likely to affect Hong Kong for another two days," Mr. B. D. Evans, acting Director of the Royal Observatory, told the China Mail this morning.

"The cold snap is entirely due to an anti-cyclone settled over the Yangtze Valley, and until it shifts there are no prospects of any warm weather," said Mr. Evans.

The mean temperatures on Friday, Saturday and Sunday were 68.4, 62.3 and 68.7, as compared with normal temperatures of 69.8, 70.1 and 70.3.

The lowest temperature during the present cold spell was 55.1 degrees, at 3 o'clock this morning, which is the lowest April reading since 1925. The lowest April temperature ever recorded in Hong Kong was 51.8 degrees on April 4, 1905.

The temperature at noon to-day was 60.2 degrees.

WEATHER REPORT

Cloudy weather, with moderate north-east winds, was the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

MR. W. B. WALKER'S DEATH

President Of Standard
Oil Company.

FORMER COLONY RESIDENT

The death occurred at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, on April 13, of Mr. W. B. Walker, President of the newly-formed Standard-Vacuum Oil Company.

Mr. Walker, who was with the Standard Oil Company of New York, in Hong Kong, from 1895 to 1923, was appointed General Manager of the South China Department in 1916. He returned to New York in 1923 on being appointed a director of S.O.C.O.N.Y.

Later, he became a Vice-President and when the S.O.C.O.N.Y. and Vacuum Oil Corporations merged in 1927, he became Vice-President of the Socony-Vacuum Corporation. (Continued on Page 9.)

"NO JAPAN CONQUEST IN THE PACIFIC"

Too Much Occupied
In Manchuria.

CONSUL-GENERAL'S OUTBURST IN NEW ZEALAND

Wellington, To-day.

"Japan has not the slightest intention of making a political invasion or conquest in the Pacific. The idea has not entered the heads of the country's leaders," declared the Japanese Consul-General for Australia and New Zealand yesterday.

He continued by saying that Japan had not turned covetous eyes on Australia and New Zealand with the hope of obtaining fresh lands for colonisation.

He stated that she was now too much occupied in Manchuria, without looking south.

Russia was the danger, he continued, though Japan had not intended conquering Russia. China was aiming purely at defensive measures.—Reuter.

SAMI PASHA DIES IN BERLIN.

Colourful Career
Ended.

SUPPRESSED TWO KURDISH RISINGS.

Berlin, To-day.

The Turkish Ambassador to Berlin, Kemal Eddin Sami Pasha, died suddenly yesterday at the age of 49 after an abdominal operation at a Berlin hospital.

Sami Pasha served on the Turkish General Staff during the War. When the Allies occupied Constantinople, he hid for several months and escaped to Asia Minor aboard an Italian vessel disguised as a trimmer.

He was recalled from the Berlin Embassy in 1924 and again in 1930, to suppress Kurdish risings. He was married to an Egyptian, Princess Emingeh.—Reuter.

GERMAN THREAT OF DEFAULT.

Complete Suspension Of
Debt Service.

DROP IN CURRENCY RESERVES.

Berlin, to-day.

Practically the complete suspension of the debt service of the Dawes and Young loans is foreshadowed by the German newspaper, Frankfurter Zeitung.

The journal states that in view of the daily growing drop in the Reichsbank's foreign currency reserves, Germany, at the forthcoming debt conference in Berlin, on April 27, will be forced to tell creditors that further transfer restriction are inevitable, and that privileged loans can hardly be exempt any longer.—Reuter.



The WOMAN'S Page



Completing Fashion Picture

Jewellery Must Match Ensemble.

ODD NECKLACES OUT OF DATE

The day when a woman purchase a necklace for the sake of the necklace alone is gone forever. Today every accessory is chosen with an eye toward its purpose in completing a fashion picture. Nothing could better illustrate that point than the sudden trend for tailored accessories which has sprung up with the fashion for tailored tweeds.

A woman would no sooner think of wearing a rhinestone necklace with her tweed than she would think of wearing that tweed to a formal dinner!

Sports Jewellery

First among the types of jewellery for tweed wear and all sports wear is wooden jewellery. The introduction of this fashion was several seasons ago, and it is almost a jewellery classic.

All wood or wood with metal is extremely smart and is perfect for the tweed picture. There are various length necklaces, novelty clips and brooches, and smart wide bracelets. With three quarter and shorter sleeves the fashion, the bracelet continues to be very important.

Tailored Bags

Right next to the wooden jewellery comes the tailored handbag. It usually assumes giant proportions and becomes the kind of bag that will stand much good, hard wear.

There are any number of leathers used but the smartest are those rather rough grains that are in the perfect accord with tweeds. Many concealed pockets are an important feature of these bags. They have spaces within them that one would never dream could be encased in one single handbag.

UBIQUITOUS SPORTS CLOTHES

Jumper Blouses Are Popular.

SOME NEW STYLES

How easily one can work out changes in the sports attire! Take, for instance, as a foundation a beige tweed skirt and Norfolk coat buttoned down the centre front.

If it closes well up to the throat the coat can be worn without a shirt, but if worn open then a beige wool blouse is useful. A new jersey model has a circular yoke in colour, closing at the neck with a narrow band an inch wide, fastened with a button.

An attractive knitted blouse in beige wool has a yoke in willow green, with a slit down the front so that it can be worn open.

Another type of jumper blouse, popular at the moment, has a straight collar two inches wide, with ends about eight inches in length. These fold over each other and are fastened with a pin.



Novelties In Shoe Styles

Low Heels For Day Or Evening.

There is a new deal ahead for shoes and for feet! Variety is entering the footwear world and women will have the fun of changing from one type of shoe to another. This, experts inform us, is very good for the well-being of the feet.

Schiaparelli started it! For an entire season that famous lady whose taste is unerring has been wearing very flat heeled shoes, not only for daytime, but for evening as well. This is a radical change, and while it may not prove a popular evening fashion, it is decidedly a smart one, and one that is fun to wear. The heels on these sandals are about one inch high... and some are even heelless.

First For Sports

This vogue for low heels may be traced to the popularity and comfort of the beach sandal. Many smart women have been going heelless for several seasons on the beach and it was from this that the fashion has gained impetus. The low heel looks well and not extreme in sport shoes. They make much use of cord and tassels as trimming. In the afternoon and evening picture, this fashion becomes more fanciful. Braiding, lacings, ties, and clasps serve to hold the shoes on the feet.

FREE AND EASY SEA CLOTHES

Everybody In Shorts This Summer.

Play clothes for the beach have followed in the wake of swimming suits. They have grown briefer, and as free as the wind. While, a few seasons ago smart beach combers were flapping along in wide, and long pajamas, this year finds them all putting them away in favour of the newer, freer shorts.

There's a long story that could be written about shorts. The winter season in Florida and on all smart beaches showed them far and above every other beach fashion. All kinds of shorts. Flannel shorts, plaid gingham shorts, coarse linen shorts, and even knitted shorts. Some were hand-crocheted and looked like baby pants.

The wearing of the shorts is not combined only to young things who have figures above reproach. If you're above the age who wear the very close fitting kind that look like Boy Scout shorts there are plenty made with waistline pleats, and that hang full like a little skirt.

If you don't go in for much exposure, there is a very smart outfit that consists of shorts, shirt, and a skirt that buttons on. If the past winter season in the southland is any indication and it invariably is, all America will be taking its shorts along when they go out on the beach this coming summer!

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

TIFFIN

Macaroni a la Viennoise
Vol au Vent of Fish
Semolina and Tomato Sauce
Mushroom Sauce
Cocoanut Custard Tart

DINNER

Breton Broth
Spinach Souffles
Baked Fennel Haddie
Spanish Rice
Butter Sauce
Salade Russe Maigre
Cream Mayonnaise
Ginger Bettes
Macaroni a la Viennoise

½ lb. of macaroni, 1 oz. of butter, 2 teaspoons chopped parsley, 1 gill of cream, the yolks of 2 eggs, salt and pepper, fried potatoes, capers. Break the macaroni into pieces, cook until tender in plenty of fast-boiling water, it will take about ¼ hour, then drain well. Melt the butter in a pan, put in the macaroni, parsley, and a good seasoning of salt and pepper. Make the mixture thoroughly hot. Beat up the yolks, add the cream, and pour on to the macaroni. Stir the mixture on the stove until it is quite hot, but do not let it boil, or it will curdle. Pile it up on a hot dish, and garnish it with little heaps of chopped capers and fried potatoes.

Breton Broth

1 pint of milk, 1 pint white stock, 1 oz. of butter, ½ oz. of flour, 1 teacupful of shredded lettuce, cabbage or green tops of leeks, 1 oz. of rice, 1 teacupful of raw or cooked potato cut in dice. ½ teacupful of minced onion, 2 tablespoonfuls of chopped parsley, salt, pepper and sugar. Melt the butter in a saucepan, add the finely shredded lettuce or cabbage, or leek-tops and onion. Cook for about 5 minutes. Add the stock and milk. Heat until boiling. Then add the rice, potato, salt, pepper, and ½ teaspoon of sugar. Boil the soup gently until all the vegetables are tender. Then add the flour, mixed thinly and smoothly with cold water, and reboll. Lastly add the parsley, and if too thick, add little extra milk.

Spinach Souffles

1 lb. stewed spinach, 3 eggs, 2 tablespoonfuls cream, ½ ounce butter, a dust of sugar and pepper, some browned crumbs. Remove the stalks and faded leaves of the spinach, wash in plenty of clean water at least 3 times, and boil for about ½ hour or until tender. Mince and rub through a sieve. Separate the yolks and whites of the eggs, add the beaten yolks, cream, sugar, and pepper to the spinach. Whisk the whites to a stiff froth, and stir them lightly into the mixture. Put the mixture into small souffle cases. Sprinkle a few browned crumbs on the top of each, put a few bits of butter on the top, and bake for ¼ hour.

Spanish Rice

1 large breakfast cupful of boiled rice, 4 tablespoonfuls of grated cheese, 4 tablespoonfuls of tomato pulp, 1 teacupful of grated onion, 1 ounce of butter, 1 small teaspoon each of mixed mustard, curry-powder, and chutney. Seasoning, browned crumbs. Melt the butter in a saucepan, put in the onion and curry-powder, and cook for a few minutes. Add the rice, cheese, tomato pulp, and chopped chutney, and mix and beat all thoroughly. Season the mixture carefully, and turn it into a pie-dish. Sprinkle

Satin and Lace



Never more beautiful was Mary Brian, film actress, than in this creation designed especially for her. The evening gown is of cream lace worn over a satin slip of the same color. The gown is cut on princess lines and is belted with a piece of the lace. The off-the-shoulder straps are trimmed with bands of roses in the same tone. The belt fastens with a jewelled buckle.

the surface with browned crumbs, and reheat it in the oven. Serve very hot.

Ginger Bettes

4 oz. of flour, 2 level teaspoons of ground ginger, 1 level teaspoon of mixed spice, 3 eggs, 2 oz. of butter, 3 oz. of sugar, 2 teaspoons golden syrup, ½ teaspoon of baking powder. Beat the butter and sugar until they are soft and white like whipped cream. Beat the egg until frothy, and stir them slowly into the butter and sugar. Mix the flour, ginger, spice, and baking powder, very thoroughly; add these to the eggs, and then the syrup. Well grease some moulds, and when the ingredients are well mixed, half fill the moulds with mixture. Bake in a moderate oven for about 20 minutes. Turn out carefully and serve hot.

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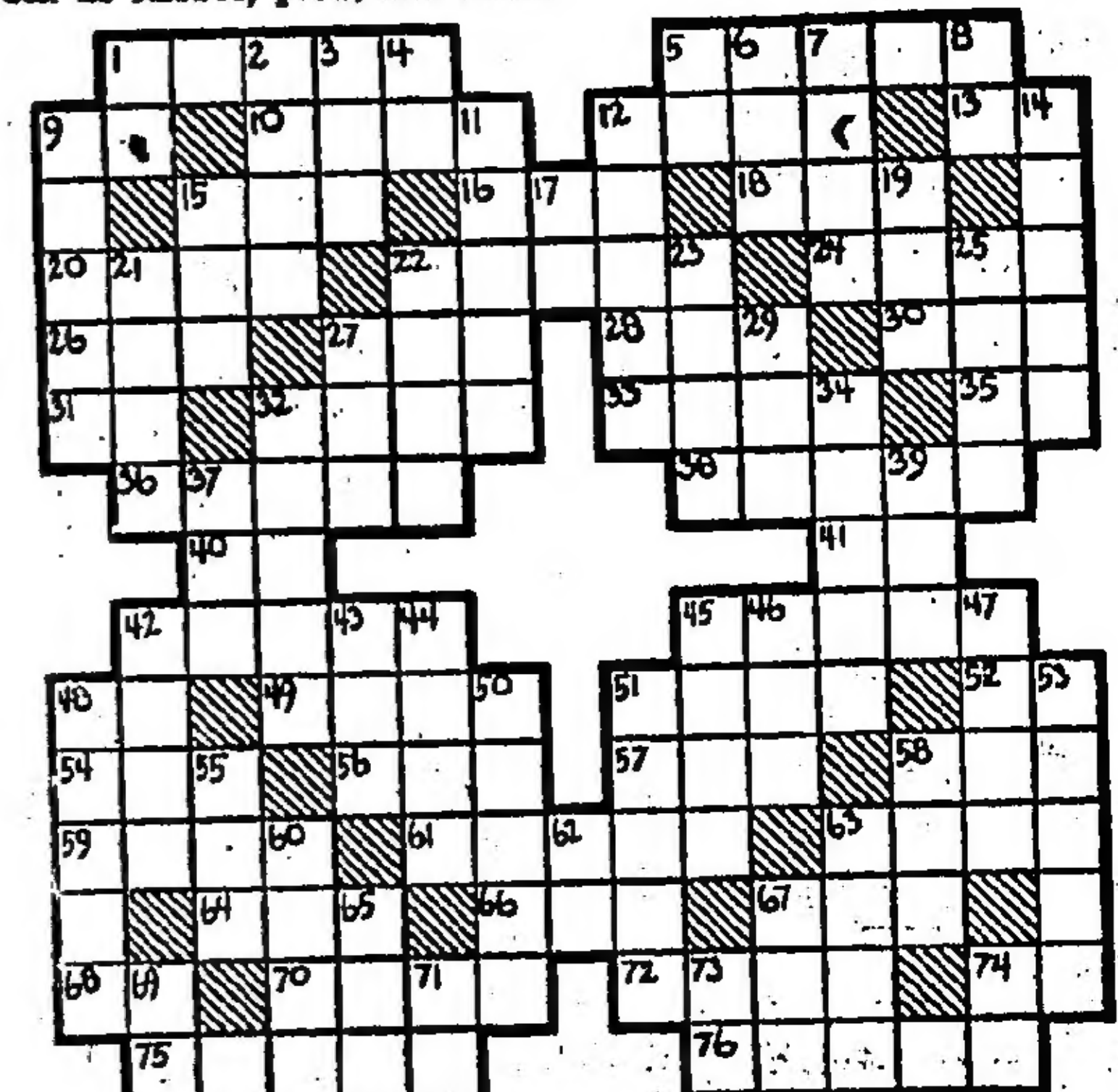
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Parsonage
- 5-Poets
- 9-Exist
- 10-Dines
- 12-Confession
- 13-Exists
- 15-Cut
- 16-Female sheep
- 18-Joined
- 20-Molt
- 22-Slumber
- 24-Venture
- 26-Weight measure
- 27-Elongated fish
- 28-Noise
- 30-Grinson
- 31-Priest's measure
- 32-Greek god of war
- 33-Bolt slowly
- 35-Of age (Lat. abbr.)
- 36-Penetrates
- 38-Hot vapor
- 40-Part of the Bible (abbr.)
- 41-Indefinite article
- 42-To be upright
- 45-Scars
- 48-Mother (short)
- 49-Restrain
- 51-Troubles
- 52-You and me
- 54-Aged
- 56-Very small

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 57-Eternity
- 58-Raw metal
- 59-A metal
- 61-Small candle
- 63-Paradise
- 64-An insect
- 65-Measure of length
- 67-Evangelist (Post.)
- 68-Because
- 70-A serpent (pl.)
- 72-Inflamed place on the skin
- 74-Musical note
- 75-Scandinavian people
- 76-More lucid

VERTICAL

- 1-Pronoun
- 2-Want
- 3-Observed
- 4-And (Lat.)
- 5-Prefix. Twice
- 6-Part of the body
- 7-Long grass stem
- 8-Musical note
- 9-Sews loosely
- 11-Disposes of by sale
- 12-Gives food to
- 14-Native of Sweden
- 15-A fowl
- 17-You and I
- 19-Sailor (Colleg.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 21-Family residence
- 22-One who foretells
- 23-Deep hole
- 25-Part measure
- 27-Before
- 28-Snare
- 32-Perfume from rose petals
- 34-Alienates the affection of
- 37-Used in negation
- 38-An insect
- 42-Sister
- 43-Recent
- 44-Course of food
- 45-House entrance
- 46-Even (Contr.)
- 47-Certain
- 48-Shapes
- 50-Approaches
- 51-Worthless plants
- 53-Meaning
- 55-To strike lightly
- 58-Lyric poem
- 60-Darling
- 62-Italian river
- 63-Equal
- 65-A letter
- 67-Epoch
- 69-Ahead
- 71-A church (abbr.)
- 72-Sun (Lat.)
- 74-Railroad (abbr.)

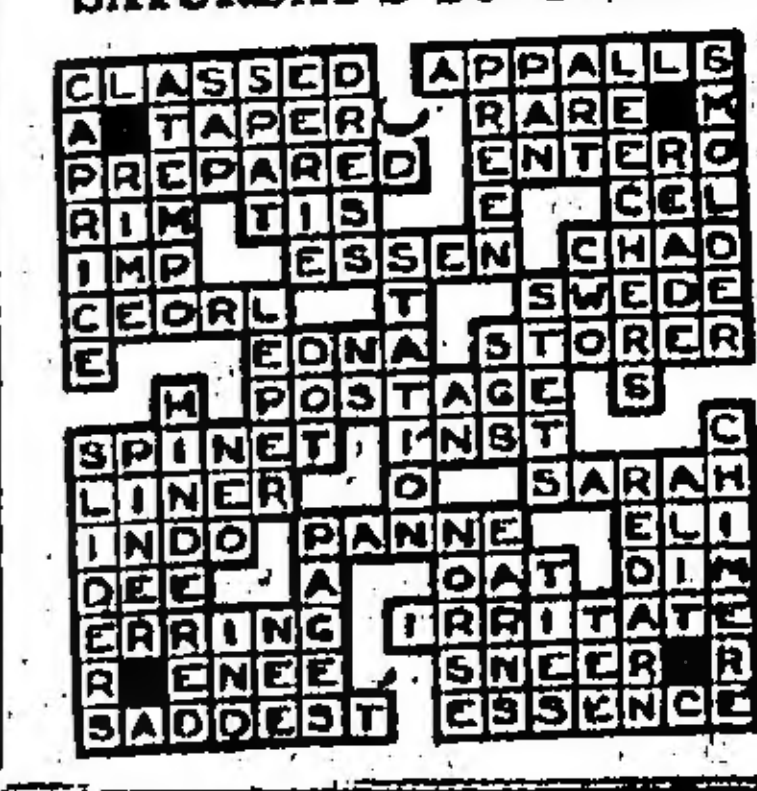
The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

INTRIGUING BAG

Collapsible Model On Satchel Lines.

An intriguing bag is being displayed for spring. It is made of calf, is about 10 inches long and has the lines of a squat satchel. When empty, it collapses and may be stowed away in a small space.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-ninth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 17th. April, 1934, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1933.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday, the 12th. day of April to Wednesday the 18th. day of April, 1934, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hong Kong, 6th. April, 1934.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 23rd April, 1934, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1933.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to 23rd April, 1934, both dates inclusive.

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BRIDGE NOTES

VIENNA COUP

by Ely Culbertson.

In the typical squeeze situation, when a player is forced to unguard one or more stoppers in his hand, thus enabling his opponent to take tricks with minor cards, he can usually free himself of the pressure of discarding if he can choose his discards after the squeezing hand has been forced to choose his. The fundamental principle of the Vienna Coup is that Declarer, playing a hand for a squeeze, must sacrifice the master card in one suit or more in order that the defense player may not have this great advantage of time in discarding. Although this line of play establishes as the top card of its suit an otherwise secondary card in an adverse hand, it frees communication between the hands of the squeezing partnership.

North:—S—J 2 H—K Q J 6 4 D—K 6 3 2 C—J 7 West:—S—K 10 8 6 4 3 H—10 7 D—9 4 C—K 10 5 East:—S—9 7 H—8 5 3 D—10 8 7 C—9 8 6 4 2 South:—S—A Q 6 H—A 9 2 D—A Q J 5 C—A Q 3

I played the above hand in a Duplicate tournament at a contract of six notrump, but since every trick counts at Duplicate, I was most anxious to achieve the maximum result. West opened the spade six; I played the spade Knave from Dummy, and it held the trick. Now I played four rounds of diamonds, taking the last in my own hand with the Ace.

On the last diamond West discarded the club Ten, and because I knew him to be an "honest" player I felt sure he was not false-carding. It was therefore obvious that should I finesse for the club King, I would lose a trick and make only six, and should I lead five rounds of hearts, it would be necessary for me to discard the Queen of either spades or clubs on the last heart, whereupon West could unguard his King of the same suit and win a sure trick with the King of the other suit. I therefore played the club Ace at the sixth trick, and then played five rounds of hearts, discarding my Queen and three of clubs on the last two, at which point the position was as follows:

North:—S—2 H—4 D—C—J West:—S—K 10 H—D—C—K South:—S—A Q H—D—C—Q East:—S—9 H—D—C—9 8

After I discarded the club Queen, West had to choose between throwing the club King, whereupon Dummy's Knave would have been high, or the spade Ten, thus allowing me to cash the Ace and Queen of spades. I, therefore, was successful in winning all 13 tricks.

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Spring Brings Renaissance in Male Fashions



The male and more conservative sex has put conservatism behind it and has gone color conscious and streamlined. The 1934 Beau Brummell will blossom out this spring in brilliant hues and trick cutaway coats. They'll be wearing pastel shades, too. The best dressed men of the world, never retiring in dress, are believed responsible for the change. Above are shown some of them, including Adolph Menjou, sartorial king of the movies; Fred Astaire, of Broadway fame; Michael Farmer, husband of Gloria Swanson; Anthony J. Drexl Biddle, Philadelphia society leader; and the Prince of Wales. Other top-notch dressers include William G. Lowe and F. Frazier Jelke, New York brokers, and Prince George of England.

CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW

"DESIGN FOR LIVING,"—KING'S THEATRE

Three prominent stars, Miriam Hopkins, Fredric March and Gary Cooper, are featured in the latest Paramount production, "Design for Living," adapted from Noel Coward's sensational stage success.

The story concerns the unusual triangle of a girl loving two men with equal intensity, while the two men retain their bosom friendship. The solution is finally solved, but not before the audience are treated to some excellent acting.

The scenes are laid in the art-section of Paris, London, and Long Island.

Ernst Lubitsch directed the picture, and it is one of his outstanding successes.

MAIL REVIEW "MAN OF TWO WORLDS"—CENTRAL THEATRE

Francis Lederer, who recorded a big success on the London and New York stages in "The Cat and the Fiddle" and "Autumn Crocus," is featured in the RKO-Radio production, "Man of Two Worlds," with Elissa Landi.

The famous Czech-Slovakian singing-actor is cast as a eskimo hunter in a story with an intriguing love triangle, with Steffi Duna as his wife and Elissa Landi the other woman.

MAIL REVIEW "MEET THE BARON"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

"Meet the Baron," a hilarious comedy with lifting musical numbers and a spectacular colour background, the current attraction at the Oriental Theatre, brings to the screen Jack Pearl, the famous "Baron Munchausen" of the radio, who, with Jimmy (Schnozzle) Durante, goes through a series of hectic adventures in a girls' college.

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MURDERER LOVED HIS VICTIM

Negro's Plea To Prison Governor.

STRANGE CASE IN AMERICA

Montgomery, Alabama.

A giant Alabama negro, Fred Kinney, who is to be electrocuted for the murder of Jim Phillips, 22-year-old white man, knelt on the floor of Governor Miller's office and told him that he loved the man he killed.

"Why, I loved that boy, Governor your Honor," he cried, his hands stretched in the air. "We was raised together, we ate together, hunted and fished together, played draughts together, I loved him. "I was cutting wood for him at his house when he 'cused me of stealing. He was all nettled and mad and hit me with a hammer and then pulled out a big gun and I was frightened and upsetted. "He pushed me into a fireplace and I picked up a poker and hit him, 'cause that big gun had me upsetted."

"If I could, dear Governor" Kinney concluded, "I'd reach right down and bring him back from his grave just like Jesus did Lazarus, that's how much I loved him."

His plea for commutation was taken under advisement.—Reuter.

ful brow-beaten lad from West Rome, Oklahoma, who finds himself in the Rome of the Caesars and involved in breath-taking adventures among the beautiful slave girls, the thundering chariots and the conspiracies of the imperial court.

MAIL REVIEW "CYNARA"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

"Cynara" now showing at the Majestic Theatre is a story of the eternal triangle told in a new way. Ronald Colman heads the brilliant cast, which includes Kay Francis, Phyllis Barry and Henry Stephenson.

The story, which is based on the novel, "An Imperfect Lover," by Mr. Gore-Brown, is a humanly romantic drama of a happily married man, who, in his wife's absence, becomes involved in a love affair with a shopgirl. The intrigue results in the wreck of his home and happiness.

MAIL REVIEW "SONG OF SONGS"—STAR THEATRE

Mariene Dietrich, exotic German film star, is featured in "Paragon's" latest attraction, "Song of Songs," which is now showing at the Star Theatre.

Mariene Dietrich portrays the tragic "Lily," of Sudermann's novel, "The Song of Songs," which was adapted for screening by Leo Bricks and Samuel Hoffenstein. (Lily) Alwill, appears as her husband, Allison Sidgworth, "Hattie" Albright and Helen Freeman have prominent roles.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcasted to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 355 metres (845 K.C.s):—

1-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.
1.30 p.m.—Local Forecast, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
DUAL TRANSMISSION FROM Z. E. K. TO-NIGHT.
5-9 p.m.—European Programme.
5.7 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.
7.03-7.27 p.m.—Selections from Musical Comedy.
"White Horse Inn"—(Erik Charell's) (Stolz) New Mayfair Orchestra.
"Bitter Sweet"—(Noel Coward) Jack Rylton & His Orchestra.
"The Duharry"—New Light Symphony Orchestra. 7.37-8 p.m.—Operatic.

Overture—"Tannhauser" (Wagner) Symphony Orchestra Conducted by Albert Coates.
Vocal Gems—"Cavalleria Rusticana" (Mascagni) (Leoncavallo) Grand Opera Company.

Band—"Aida"—Grand March & Finale (Verdi) Band—"Aida"—Introduction & Moorish Ballet (Verdi) Creator's Band.
8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
8.03-8.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.
10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.55 p.m.—Close Down.
All relays of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestras by courtesy of the Management.
8.30-10 p.m.—European Recorded Programme from "Z. E. K." on 640 K.C.s.

8.30-8.47 p.m.—Sonata in F. Minor (Brahm Op. 120 No. 1).....Lionel Terpis (Viola) Harry Cohen (Piano forte)

1st Movement—Alicoro, Appassionato.
2nd Movement—Andante, un Poco Adagio.
3rd Movement—Allegretto, Grazioso.
8.47-9.30 p.m.—Variety.

Song—What more can I ask.
Song—Brighter than the Sun Anona Winn: (Soprano).
Orchestra—Delibes in Vienna Orchestra Raymonde.

Vocal Quartette—Musketiers Melodies No. 1. The Four Musketiers.
Orchestra—(Continued at foot of preceding Column).

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SPORTING Page

SOUTH CHINA SOCCER PLAYERS FOR FAR EASTERN GAMES

ENGLAND'S TEAM FOR FIRST TEST

A. E. R. Gilligan Makes Forecast.

VALENTINE AS CAPTAIN

London, Apr. 9. Writing in the *New Chronicle*, A. E. R. Gilligan, former England captain, selects Brian Valentine, the young Kent amateur, as the most likely captain for England against Australia and suggests the probable side for the first test will be:

Sutcliffe, C. F. Walters, Hammond, Mitchell (Yorks), Ames R. E. S. Wyatt, B. H. Valentine, R. W. Robbins and Clark (Northants), Verity and Larwood (Northants).

PRATA REACHES CENTURY.

Phoenix Club Beaten.

Dr. D. K. Samy's XI beat the Phoenix Club of the University at Pokfulam yesterday by 10 runs. Dr. Samy's XI—196 (A. Prata 113, E. Wood 5 for 69, H. L. Ozerio 4 for 39). Phoenix Club—116 (R. K. Ng 52, W. C. Hune 4 for 3, A. T. Law 5 for 11).

SGT. GOULDIN WINS H.K. AREA RIFLE TITLE

Sgt. Bennett Secures Second Place.

PUNJABIS' SUCCESSES

Sgt. Gouldin, of the Lincolns, won the Soldiers' Club Challenge Cup for the best rifle shot of all ranks, which constitutes the Area Championship, at the annual Hong Kong Area Small Arms Meeting, which was held on Thursday and Friday of last week on the Kowloon Ranges.

Sgt. Gouldin registered an aggregate score of 62 and Sgt. Bennett of the East Lancashire Regiment, was runner-up with a score of 60.

Last year's winner was Major H. St. G. Thoyts, M. C., of the Lincolnshire Regiment.

The results were as under: Officers—Major H. St. G. Thoyts, M.C., 1/Lincoln R., 52; 2/Lt. Irvine-Andrews, 2/E. Lan. R., 51; Lieutenant Hocquard, 1/Lincoln R., 48; Lieutenant Williams, 2/E. Lan. R., 48.

W.O.s and Sergeants—Sgt. Gouldin, 1/Lincoln R., 62; Sgt. Bennett, 2/E. Lan. R., 60; R. Q. M. S. Otley, 1/Lincoln R., 55; L/Sgt. Jones, 2/E. Lan. R., 52.

Corporals—Cpl. Whitmore, 1/Lincoln R., 49; L/Cpl. Bowers, 2/E. Lan. R., 48; L/Naik Mohd Ashraf, 1/8 Punjab R., 47; Naik Brij Mohan, 1/8 Punjab R., 43.

Privates—Pte. Perrin, 1/Lincoln R., 51; Pte. Roberts, 2/E. Lan. R., 49; Sepoy Auliy Khan, 1/8 Punjab R., 49; Pte. Starr, 1/Lincoln R., 46.

The Corps Match—Cpl. Clarke, R.E., 55; Spr. Piper, R.E., 54; L/Cpl. Greenhill, R.E., 54; Cpl. Stevens, R.A.O.C., 47.

The best shot of all ranks (Area Championship)—Soldiers' Club Challenge Cup, Sgt. Gouldin, 1/Lincoln R., 62; Sgt. Bennett, 2/E. Lan. R., 60; Cpl. Clarke, R.E., 55; R. Q. M. S. Otley, 1/Lincoln R., 55; Spr. Piper, R.E., 54; L/Cpl. Greenhill, R.E., 54.

Winners—"C" Team, 1st Bn. 8th Punjab Regiment, Team Commander: Jemadar Sarang Khan. The teams were Naik Mohd Warash, Sepoy Dall Khan, Sepoy Mohd Akbar, Naik Jaffer Khan, Sepoy Mohd Sarwar, Sepoy Abdul Aziz, Naik Khan Wali, Sepoy Sirdar Khan, Sepoy Jalal Khan, Naik Afzar Khan, Sepoy Fazal Khan, Sepoy Pahlwan Khan.

Runners up—"B" Team, 1st Bn. 8th Punjab Regiment, Team Commander: Jemadar Nadeem Khan. The teams were Naik Madan Khan, Sepoy Farukh, Sepoy Bhole, Tam.

But He Got Up and Won



Although Walter Neusel, shown taking a count in the second round of his fight with King Levinsky at New York does not look like a conqueror, the German invader arose from the canvas to win the decision from the Chicago heavyweight after a stirring battle, the best prize fight seen in many a day.

EX-FLYWEIGHT CHAMPION'S WIFE GIVEN DIVORCE

Alleged Desertion Of Fidel La Barba

Los Angeles, Apr. 7. The wife of Fidel La Barba, retired world's flyweight champion, was granted a divorce here today on the grounds of desertion. Mr. La Barba testified that she had not seen her husband for more than a year and had not received any adequate financial support from him during this period. She stated that his interest in both herself and boxing had waned at the same time.—United Press.

FIANCE URGES SATOH TO CONTINUE TRIP

Harada On Late Champion.

Tokyo, April 6.

The late Jiro Satoh's fiance, who is also his tennis partner, declares that he did not desire to go to Europe but she pressed him to accept the Japanese Lawn Tennis Association's invitation in view of the firm attitude it had adopted.

The ex-champion, Harada, lamenting Satoh's death, commented that Satoh's play in his farewell match at Osaka lacked control and his extraordinary conduct at the farewell banquet showed he was on the verge of a nervous breakdown.—Reuter Wireless.

K.C.C. LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Satisfactory Entry For Mixed Doubles.

The "A" team, the ladies of which team were awarded silver spoons at the conclusion, beat the "B" team by 200 games to 192 in the Kowloon Cricket Club American Mixed Doubles Lawn Tennis tournament yesterday.

The results were as follow:

"A" team: R. S. Capell and Miss M. Griffiths won 34 games, lost 15; Mr. and Mrs. Wilson won 35, lost 14; J. S. Smith and Mrs. Jack won 21, lost 28; A. W. Ram- say and Miss Haynes won 28, lost 21; Mr. and Mrs. Gaubert won 22, lost 27; Mr. and Mrs. Godwin won 18, lost 31; Mr. and Mrs. Peddle won 25, lost 24; A. E. Simmons and Mrs. Blake won 17, lost 32.

"B" team: E. C. Fletcher and Miss M. Kacker won 31 games, lost 25; C. L. Stapleton and Miss Mackenzie won 30, lost 26; C. J. Tachi and Mrs. Blandford won 30, lost 26; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Anniss won 28, lost 28; E. C. Norris and Mrs. Kella won 22, lost 34; Simcocks and Miss M. L. W. Bry- son won 25, lost 31; J. Barnes and Mrs. Boas won 26, lost 30.

SATURDAY'S RACES

Jockeys' Records.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Un.
N. Delis	4	1	2	
C. P. Harrison	2	0	0	1
G. P. Botelho	1	0	2	4
F. M. L. Soares	1	0	0	3
Tang Wan Wa	1	0	0	2
E. O. Butler	0	1	2	3
D. Black	0	1	2	4
S. Y. Liang	0	3	2	2
A. J. P. Heard	0	2	1	3
Yue Shun Wa	0	1	0	1
E. H. Carvalho	0	0	1	1
C. D. A. Gregory	0	0	1	1
J. L. Jordan	0	0	1	1
E. Joseph	0	0	1	1
H. A. de B. Botelho	0	0	1	1
Choy Wing Chai	0	0	1	1
J. Barrow	0	0	1	1
M. N. Cockrass	0	0	1	1
A. J. Stocker	0	0	1	1
D. A. Coppie	0	0	1	1
G. W. Swell	0	0	1	1
C. Taylor	0	0	1	1
A. A. R. Botelho	0	0	1	1
H. V. Pears	0	0	1	1
W. G. Poy	0	0	1	1
R. A. Carroll	0	0	1	1
W. H. Choy	0	0	1	1
K. N. Pao	0	0	1	1
Y. T. Fung	0	0	1	1
Y. K. Yag	0	0	1	1
Totals	9	10	22	22

Bay View (Mr. Liang) and Bhole (Mr. P. P. Botelho) dead-heated.

Lost Art Of Scrummaging In Rugby

Individualism The Keynote Of Game With Scotland

By HOWARD MARSHALL

HERE are a few further reflections on the Calcutta Cup match, writes Howard Marshall on March 21.

Booth is the cleverest wing three-quarter in the four countries and Lind the most dangerous opportunist. Dick and Cranmer are two young centres of the highest promise, as the All Blacks will no doubt discover in 1935.

Bentley, Waters, Dicks, and Forrest increased their reputations, but the English pack of 1922-3 would have eaten either of Saturday's packs alive.

It was a glorious game to watch, "as good a set-to as we've had for years," says one correspondent, but if it was entertaining, it was also shockingly bad football.

It was, in my opinion, not Rugby football at all, but a splendidly lively contest between fifteen Scotsmen and fifteen Englishmen, who crashed into one another without producing one constructive movement the whole afternoon.

Three tries were scored, certainly, but they were snatched out of chaos, and not once did we see the development of open attack upon any recognised principle. Smash-and-grab stuff, that was all; very entertaining, no doubt, and not able for some admirably courageous defence, but rather depressing when we think of the game as it should have been played on such a perfect afternoon.

There are those who blame the half-backs for this sterility, but I am convinced that deplorable scrummaging was the cause of all the trouble. Both packs went at it heartily enough in the loose, but binding and shoving and wheeling and keeping the ball are apparently lost arts.

My own opinion is that the English selectors were unwise to make Kendrew lead the English pack instead of Forrest. Kendrew is a fine, willing forward, and he has proved himself to be an inspiring leader, but I do not believe it is reasonable to ask anyone to take charge of the scrum-mage from the middle of the back row.

Successful scrummaging is so much a matter of concerted work that the leader must be able to feel the rhythm of it, must know just when to call for the extra weight or the sudden drive.

It may seem extravagant to speak of the rhythm of scrum-maging, but rhythm there is when the pack is functioning properly as a single unit.

My point, through, is that to produce that co-ordinated shoving a leader must pack down in the first or second row, preferably the second, where he can both see the ball and tell how the weight is coming through from the back row. What is more, his instructions to heel or wheel or hold can be heard by every forward, whereas the leader in the middle of the back row is inaudible in the front row.

OUTLOOK MUST CHANGE

There are, I know, other reasons why the scrummaging failed on Saturday, more fundamental reasons, but I have hammered away at those so often that I begin to fear I am boring my long-suffering readers. I am convinced, though, that until we entirely change our outlook on the game, and realise that close forward work must control tactics, with the backs in reserve to apply the final, rapier thrusts, the coupe-de-grace of attack, until then Rugby football will consist of little more than individual opportunism.

And now let me thank two correspondents who have kindly reminded me that the four three-quarter game originated in the Cardiff club during the season 1885-4.

H. J. Simpson was captain of Cardiff then, and F. E. Hancock came into the three-quarter line to fill a gap for the match against Cheltenham.

So well did Hancock play that, although W. B. Norton, T. Williams and A. J. Stuart, the regular Cardiff three-quarters, were all available for the next match, it was decided that Hancock could not be left out. And accordingly, for the first time on record, four three-quarters were played. Thus simply did the present system of back play come into being.

I did not intend to imply in my article last week that Newport originated the system in 1894, though they were certainly playing it to great effect at the period.

EIGHT FROM HONG KONG NOMINATED

CANTON MAJORITY IN SELECTION.

Team To Meet The North China XI.

CHINA TEAM TO PLAY SERVICES

AFTER THE GAME BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CANTON IN THE SOUTHERN CAPITAL ON SATURDAY EIGHT PLAYERS FROM HONG KONG AND TEN FROM CANTON WERE SELECTED BY A JOINT SELECTION COMMITTEE, COMPRISING OF MESSRS. TAM CHUNG-TOO, WONG KA-TSUN, HAU KI-CHEONG AND TONG FOOK-CHEUNG.

The nominated team will play against the North China footballers, and then 17 players will be selected by the National Athletic Association to represent China at the Olympiad. The selected eleven will play a series of matches with a Colony Service team before they proceed to Manila.

The following are the selected South China players:—

HONG KONG.

Pau Ka Ping.
Lee Wai-tong.
Tao Kwai-shing.
Ho Chor-in.
Leung Wing-chiu.
Tay Quee-ling.
Lee Kwok-wai.
Lau Mau.

CANTON.

Li Tin-ang.
Tam Kong-pak.
Fung King-cheong.
Ip Pak-wah.
Wong Mel-shun.
Wong Kei-ling.
Chan Chun-wo.
Lai Kwok-kim.
Tauf Ah-fel.
Yeung Sui-yick.

CANTON AVENGE DEFEAT

Overwhelm Colony Soccer Team.

Pau Ka Ping's Absence Regretted.

A crowd of 10,000 saw Canton avenge their defeat by a goal to nil in the first all-China soccer trial on April 8, when they overwhelmed Hong Kong by four clear goals in Canton on Saturday in the second trial in preparation for the Far Eastern Olympiad.

In the first half Fung King-cheong and Chan Chun-wo scored and after the interval, Ip Pak-wah and Tauf Ah-fel added to the score.

The Hong Kong team were handicapped by the fact that Pau Ka-ping, the Colony's star goalkeeper, was an absentee.

Hong Kong—Lee Kwok-ki, Leung In-chun, Lau Mau, Ip Pak-wah, Ho Chor-in, Leung Wing-chiu, Lee Kwok-wai, Tao Kwai-shing, Tay Quee-ling, Lee Wai-tong, Chu Ping-ming, Ho Keung-wo, Fung King-yi.

Canton—Wong Kei-ling, Tam Kong-pak, Li Tin-ang, Lai Kwok-kim, Lau Hing-chol, Wong Mel-shun, Tauf Ah-fel, Wn Tin-po, Yeung Sui-yick, Mak Ching-cho, Fung King-cheong, Chan Chun-wo and Ip Pak-wah.

China Mail Sports Diary

TO-DAY

Yachting.—Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's Ladies' Consolation Race.

WEDNESDAY

Cricket.—Inter-unit Competition, Small Units v. East Lanchashire (Hong Kong C. ground), 11 a.m.
Hockey.—Hong Kong Hockey Club seniors v. Radio Sports, 5 p.m.

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CHINESE TEAM WIN IN GOVERNOR'S CUP

CLUB & SAINTS SHOW POOR SHOOTING FORM

GAMBLE GOOD PARTNER FOR SYD STRANGE

(BY OUTSIDE LEFT)

POTE-HUNT, the Club's centre-half, was extremely unfortunate against St. Joseph's on Saturday. Just before half-time he twisted his knee and had to be carried off the field. He pluckily resumed after the interval at outside left, but he was a passenger throughout.

Both sets of forwards played good football, but the Saints combined better than did the Club—their short passing was excellent, but they were deplorably weak in front of goal, good shots being directed past the post and over the top.

Leonard played a fine game and eluded Strange very cleverly on several occasions, but he could not direct the ball into the net.

Gamble, partnering Strange in the back line, played a great game, and cleared well. Rodger played his usual good game and brought off many fine saves.

Howe played excellently, particularly in the second half when Pote-Hunt was injured. He tried very hard, and with some success, to control the left wing on his own. S. Strange, at left back, proved almost an impassable barrier, but E. Strange was not so impressive at forward—he played hard, but failed when in shooting distance.

B. Gosano, outside left for St. Joseph's, was at the top of his form. He was very speedy and controlled the ball well, his centre being perfect. They were unavailing, however, as the inside forwards could not find the net.

Sousa and Gosano were safe backs, both clearing their lines in fine style.

Sousa's Good Display

Sousa was the best man in the Radio's team against the Service Corps. He played a great game in goal, and undoubtedly kept the score much lower than it might have been. The Radio seldom passed the half-way line, and on the few occasions that they succeeded in entering the R. A. S. C.'s area they were met with a stone-wall defence in Lawlor and Alvis.

Recreio's Poor Marksmen

Recreio had the best of the encounter in the first half of their game against South China juniors, their forwards continually breaking through the China defence. On several occasions they would have scored, but for very poor shooting from easy positions.

In the second half, despite the fact that Cheung Pm Lun was forced to retire, suffering from an injured knee, South China showed a decided improvement in their tactics, and towards the end kept the Recreio defence very busy.

ATHLETIC FAIL TO APPEAR

East Lanes Ready For Encounter

The First Division match between the East Lanes and the Athletic was not played at Soekumpoo Ground yesterday.

The Regimental team and the referee were ready on the ground, but the Athletic team did not appear. After waiting for some minutes the referee dismissed the soldiers' team.

MIDWEEK MATCHES

The following are the midweek First Division soccer games arranged by the F. A.:

Wednesday
Borderers v Navy
Police v St. Joseph's
Wednesday, April 25
St. Joseph's v Borderers

RECREIO SUPERIOR BUT DRAW.

Lethargic Display By Gunners.

SOUSAE EXCELS

(By OUTSIDE LEFT)

On the average of play the Recreio were superior to the Artillery on Saturday. Mainly through the lethargic display of the military side, the Recreio, at times showed brilliance, especially noticeable between Sousa and his inside forwards, who were much too fast for the opposition and gave Wood in the Artillery goal several very anxious moments.

The Artillery found no great difficulty in bringing the ball into the Recreio area, but they were then incapable of placing it past Marques. Weak shooting, and at times wild shooting, was responsible, but their main fault lay in too close passing and dallying with the ball in front of goal.

Sousa gave a good exhibition, displaying a sound knowledge of ball distribution and formed with Gomes and L. Castilho, both of whom were on form, a dangerous trio.

Figureido put in plenty of hard work, though his wing-halves were apt to mis-kick, which however, did not affect the side as both Silva-Netto and Marques kept them covered perfectly.

Marques, very much at home with close shots, however fast, had a tendency to mis-judge long-range ones. Pardoe and his halves would have done well to concentrate on this type of bombardment, for of the only three accountable longshots in the game, the first actually entered the net; Marques fumbled the next, and the third resulted in a goal.

Wood was safe, and, on the whole, accurate in his handling between the Artillery sticks. Wroe by his positioning and clearances was the main stumbling block for the Recreio forwards. Pardoe had a day off, and the same may be said of the Gunner forwards, although they played well enough when not actually in front of goal.



HARLEQUINS LOSE TO GLOUCESTER.

Cardiff Beat Plymouth Albion.

HOME RUGBY RESULTS

London, Saturday.

The following were the results of the leading Rugby Union games played to-day:

Bedford 10, Old Blues 5.
Birkenhead Park 14, Waterloo 10.
Exeter 3, Llanelly 13.
Gloucester 8, Harlequins 0.
Leicester 11, Blackheath 14.
Neath 12, Devonshire Services 4.
Newport 15, Bath 3.
Old Merchant Taylors 4, London Irish 6.
Pontypool 6, Bristol 6.
Plymouth Albion 6, Cardiff 8.
Wasps 0, London Welsh 12.

NEXT SATURDAY'S GAMES

The following is next Saturday's programme:
Harlequins v London Welsh
Leicester v Old Merchant Taylors
Northampton v Devonshire Services

New Zealand has selected the following team to represent her in the bowls section of the British Empire Games, which are to take place in England during the coming August:
H. Groom, Q. C. Pollard, G. H. Carter, and W. W. Dillier. The team will sail for England aboard the s.s. "Tahiti".



HAZELWOOD AND MATTHIAS RATTLE K.F.C.

Cord Pluckily Defies Borderer Marksmen.

PODMORE AGAIN SHINES

(By OUTSIDE LEFT)

There were no goals scored in the first half of the match between the Borderers and Kowloon on Saturday, but, nevertheless, the Borderers were very strong on the attack, and it was only the fine effort of Cord that averted goals during several anxious periods.

Despite the rather overwhelming odds Kowloon put up a fine display and once or twice were unfortunate in not scoring. Had the forwards not hesitated when they received chance to shoot in front of the goal they might have beaten the alert Smith.

Credit is due once again to Matthias and Hazelwood, who, working on the right wing, had the Kowloon defence rattled with well-schemed advances. These two players, together with Podmore, may be said to have been mainly instrumental in giving the Borderers another victory.

For Kowloon 90 per cent. of the credit for a fine game must go to Cord in goal.

Despite being hit heavily in the face when saving a shot during the first few minutes of the game, he showed excellent courage and judgement in keeping the soldiers at bay.

Elliott, the centre half, was a keen performer throughout the exciting encounter, being very persistent in his endeavours to feed his forwards. Willis and Eastman, the Kowloon full backs, were clever, and the civilians would probably have suffered a much bigger defeat had they not maintained a very close co-operation.

WILD SWAN ENTER FINAL.

Beat Witch In The Flotilla Cup.

In the semi-final round of the Flotilla's Knock-out Cup, H. M. S. Wild Swan defeated H. M. S. Witch by four goals to nil at Caroline Hill.

Saturday's Results And Goalscorers.

CLUB	0	ST. JOSEPH'S	0
KOWLOON	0	BORDERERS	4
ARTILLERY	1	RECREIO	1
R.A.S.C.	3	RADIO	0
RECREIO	0	S. CHINA	1

League Tables To Date

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	Goals	Pts
St. Joseph's	19	14	3	2	43	19	31	31
Borderers	18	15	0	3	61	21	30	30
Lincolns	18	12	2	4	50	23	28	28
South China	18	12	1	5	42	21	25	25
Navy	17	10	4	3	50	40	24	24
Club	19	8	2	9	46	61	18	18
Kowloon	20	7	2	11	34	59	16	16
East Lanes	18	6	2	10	23	42	14	14
Athletic	15	5	0	10	25	48	10	10
Police	17	4	2	11	21	54	10	10
Artillery	18	4	1	13	23	42	8	8
Recreio	19	1	3	15	19	65	5	5

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	Goals	Pts
Lincolns	18	15	0	3	77	7	35	35
South China	18	12	2	4	24	23	25	25
R.A.S.C.	17	9	4	4	28	22	22	22
Borderers	17	10	1	6	54	31	21	21
Recreio	18	7	3	8	51	47	17	17
R.A.M.C.	18	16	4	8	31	37	16	16
Engineers	16	4	5	7	23	35	12	12
R.F.A.	18	5	2	11	22	37	12	12
Radio	17	2	4	11	12	48	8	8
University	16	0	3	13	13	68	3	3

GOAL SCORERS

CLUB	Goalscorers
Borderers	Jones (Borderers)
Hopkins (R. A.)	Hopkins (R. A.)
Cashillo (Recreio)	Cashillo (Recreio)
Hazelwood (Borderers)	Hazelwood (Borderers)
Matthias (Borderers)	Matthias (Borderers)
Evocott (R.A.S.C.)	Evocott (R.A.S.C.)
Vaughan (R.A.S.C.)	Vaughan (R.A.S.C.)
Savages (Radio)	Savages (Radio)
Lau Wing-kwong (S. China)	Lau Wing-kwong (S. China)

F. A. SIDE LOSE BY ODD GOAL

LEE WAI TONG SCORES THREE TIMES

CORD'S GRUELLING TEST

(By SPOT KICK)

LEADING by the odd goal in three at the interval the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation beat the Hong Kong Football Association eleven by 4 goals to 3 in the Governor's Soccer Cup series at Caroline Hill yesterday. Beaten in their first encounter with the F.A. this season the Chinese will now have an opportunity of winning the trophy for the second year in succession when they clash with the Association team in the deciding match.

Pau Ka-ping, in the Chinese goal, put up a really splendid show, and, together with Lau Mau in the defence, was instrumental in relieving the Chinese goal on several occasions.

Lee Wai-tong scored three of the four goals for the Chinese team, his speed and accuracy deserving great credit.

Marpas, playing centre forward for the F. A. players, scored all three other goals, his timing and judgment being perfect.

Mullane and A. V. Gosano gave a great display in defence, while Elliott and Hocquard in the forward line kept Marpas supplied with splendid centres.

The game commenced with the F.A. most of the pressing, and in the first few minutes a smart clearance was effected by Li Tinsang.

Following this China attacked and Tam Kong-pak sent in a fine header from several yards out, the ball just passing over the cross bar. Lee Wai-tong then fired in a powerful shot from ten yards, but Cord relieved in good style.

Elliott's timely save. The F.A. returned to the attack, and some fine exchanges were witnessed, with the ball being swung from wing to wing by good combination.

SHOOTING

(Continued from Page 4.)

Winners.—"A" Teams, 2nd Bn. East Lancashire Regt. The Team was Major W. E. B. Dowling, R. S. M. Slater, Sgt. Jones, L/Cpl. Edwards, Pte. Marsden, Pte. Parker, Pte. Baldock, Pte. Whitehead.

Runners up.—"A" Team, 1st Bn. 8th Punjab Regt. The team was Captain F. Johnstone, C. H. M. Sirdar Khan, Havildar Jagir Singh, Naik Nirmal, Sepoy Bhoota Khan, Sepoy Narib Khan, Sepoy Naratu Ram, Sepoy Lal Khan.

Individual Revolver Match.—Lieutenant Home, 1st S. Wales, Bord., Sgt. Jones, 2nd Bn. E. Lances, Regt.

Winners.—"B" Company, 1st Bn. Punjab Regiment: Team Commander Subadar Parshadi Singh. Team: Naik Arjan Singh, L/Naik Datta Ram, Sepoy Sheo Nath, Sepoy Balahwar, Naik Brij Mohan, Sepoy Maula Ram, Naik Shaker Khan, Sepoy Khadar Bax, Sepoy Nur Mohd, Sepoy Narrain, Naik Madan Ram, Sepoy Parbhu Ram, Sepoy Kolu Ram, Sepoy Shih Lal, Sepoy Bakar Khan (Runner).

Runners up.—"B" Company, 1st Bn. S. Wales Bord.: Team Commander, Lieut. L. G. Moon. Team: L/Cpl. Harris, Pte. Watts, Pte. 26 John, Pte. Clapp, L/Cpl. Whelan, Pte. 37 Hill, Pte. Hurps, Pte. 40 Wright, Cpl. Madley, Pte. 15 Davies, Pte. O'Kelly, Pte. 31 Smith, Cpl. Ward, Pte. 90 Edwards, Pte. Howells, Pte. Podmore, Pte. 93 M'Carthy (Runner).

Winners.—"H. Q." Wing 1st Bn. The Lincolnshire Regt.: Team Commander, L/Sgt. J. Goble. Team: R. S. M. Segon, R. Q. M. S. Otley, Pte. J. Ormsby, Sgt. J. Lyons, Sgt. J. Robinson, Pte. J. Robinson, Pte. J. Green, Bdm. W. Brown, Sgt. P. Otley.

Runners up.—"C" Company, 2nd Bn. E. Lances, Regt.: Team Commander Sgt. Tindell. Team: C. S. M. Elvin, Pte. Robinson, Pte. Marsden, Pte. Dixon, Pte. Esby, Pte. Roberts, Pte. Herbert.

An exciting moment occurred when Lee Wai-tong had the ball under control some feet from goal and was about to shoot when Elliott rushed in a cleared with a first-time kick.

Three goals then came in quick succession. Following a quick pass from Ip Pak-wa the ball came to LEE WAI-TONG who had the ball directly in front of goal and sent in a great shot which beat Cord.

A minute later the F.A. players replied with a smart move on the left wing. Hocquard and Ridley should excellent understanding before Ridley lobbed the ball goalwards. MALPAS then bundled both the ball and Pau Ka-ping into the net to score the equaliser.

Cord Saves Penalty. Two minutes later the referee awarded a penalty kick to the Chinese against Robertson. LEE made a great save, but, in WAIT-TONG took the kick. Cord punching the ball back into play, it went to Lee Wai-tong again who this time netted with a strong shot.

Hocquard, on the left, strove desperately hard to feed Elliott and Malpas, and his effort won a corner, but smart work by Lau Mau resulted in the ball being easily cleared out of the danger zone.

Following the interval the F.A. launched a strong attack and one or two skirmishes around the Chinese goal looked dangerous, but the ball was eventually cleared.

Ridley Loses Chance. Hocquard then passed to Malpas, who in turn sent it to Ridley. He had a clear way to score, but he lost the ball in his stride and Pau Ka-ping successfully intercepted.

Fifteen minutes from the re-start Chinese scored their third goal, which was perhaps the best of the afternoon.

An up-field movement resulted in the ball going to TSAO KWAI-SHING on the right wing and he unexpectedly flashed in a first-time shot. Cord saw it and made a great attempt to save, in fact he did actually get his fingers to it.

The F. A. decreased the arrears some ten minutes later when MALPAS scored.

The F.A. team now launched persistent attacks in an effort to score the equaliser, and it was not long before Hocquard took a flag kick to give MALPAS an opportunity to beat Pau Ka-ping.

Elliott had hard luck a few moments after when he struck the upright with Pau Ka-ping beaten.

Just before the final whistle the Chinese opened up an attack on the left wing and Cord was kept busy making some fine saves. The Chinese, however, succeeded in securing the winning goal through a direct fast shot from LEE WAI-TONG.

In the previous encounter the F.A. team won, so that the teams will now have to meet again at a later date to decide who shall be the winners of the trophy for this season.

Hong Kong F.A.—Cord; Mullane, A. V. Gosano; L. G. Robertson, Podmore, Elms; Matthias, Elliott, Malpas, Ridley and Hocquard.

Chinese XI—Pau Ka-ping; Li Tinsang, Lau Mau, Te Cho-yui, Leung Wing-chiu; Lee Kwok-wai, Tsao Kwai-shing, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Ip Pak-wa and Tam Kong-pak.

Engineering and Building.

CENTENARY
OF GREAT
SCIENTISTDmitri Ivanovich
Mendeleeff.

BRILLIANT RESEARCH WORKER

Engineers as well as chemists will have recalled on February 7 the birth of Dmitri Ivanovich Mendeleeff, a Russian chemist who not only gained world renown for his periodic classification of the elements, but also distinguished himself in various other fields.

Engineering is concerned as much as any other applied science in the advancement of knowledge concerning the physical properties of gases at widely differing pressures, and the fact must not be neglected that in this field the foundation for the work of Andrews, Amagat, and Cailletet was laid by the brilliant researches of Mendeleeff.

In his rise to the professorship at St. Petersburg he carried all before him. Although deflected from research by a period of teaching, he became *magister chimie* of the University in 1856, *privat docent* a little later, professor at the Technological Institute by 1863, and professor at the University three years later.

His discovery of the periodic law and classification, a marshalling of the elements into some semblance of order, has perpetuated his name throughout the world of science. For this arrangement into groups of eight according to valency and according to atomic weights was the basis of the greater part of chemical advance up to the time of Mosely, and, moreover, the periodic law is unaltered to-day if we substitute atomic numbers for the erring atomic weights.

Dobereiner had introduced, some years before this law, certain triads of elements resembling each other, the Frenchman De Chancourtois had suggested the arrangement of the elements on a helical curve (an idea very close to the modern viewpoint), and our own countryman, Newlands, suggested the law of octaves.

When we review to-day all the benefits which have accrued from Mendeleeff's scheme we realise what rapid progress was rendered possible therefrom. The atomic weights of gold, tellurium, and indium were modified in accordance with his predictions; the elements scandium, gallium, germanium, masurium, rhenium, and polonium were found to correspond in properties with his descriptions; and the arrangement formed the basis on which the electronic structure of the atoms was built.

His work on physical chemistry was no less important. In finding "absolute boiling-points," or points above which a gas cannot be liquefied, he was a worthy predecessor of Andrews, while his studies on the deviations from Boyle's Law and his balloon ascent from Kilm during the solar eclipse of August, 1887, in order to study the effects of highly rarefied air on the corona, were typical of his ubiquity.

His famous *Principles of Chemistry* and other works; his undertaking of Government commissions, platform and Press activities for raising interest in the neglected Baku petroleum industry; and his winning of a galaxy of rewards—including the Davy, the Copley, and the Faraday medals—all these served to complete a life of supreme brilliance.—*Engineering*.

PALACE 1,360 FEET
HIGH.Plans Passed By Moscow
Council.

Moscow. The great chromium-plated statue of Lenin, which it is proposed to erect in Moscow is to be even greater than the one described as the "Colossus of Moscow".

It will rise above the Palace of the Soviets, to be built on the site of the Cathedral of Christ the Saviour, which was blown up at Christmas, 1931.

Plans passed by the Central Executive Committee show the height of the whole structure as 1,362 feet. The statue itself will be 282 feet high, the Palace of the Soviets rising to 1,100 feet.

REORGANIZATION OF
STEEL TRADEWelsh Magnate's Views
On New Measure.

MERE FIXATION OF PRICES

Newport. Mr. Lionel D. Whitehead, chairman of the Whitehead Iron and Steel Company, Limited, Newport and Tredegar, speaking at the firm's annual staff dance at Newport recently, referred to the proposed steel reorganisation plan.

The scheme, he said, was almost entirely confined to the fixation of prices on the home markets without any regard to its disastrous repercussions on export trade. Why should they be asked to reorganise by the Imports Duties Advisory Board when they did so early in 1931, before the new tariffs were instituted?

They had not only done so in their own sphere of manufacture, but also in the supplies of raw material from Lincolnshire, where they had brought back directly and indirectly 3,000 men to employment.

Their criticism of the scheme was not simply destructive. Far from being an opponent of reorganisation, he was strongly in favour of any scheme which would render the industry efficient and so enable it to compete with greater advantage on the export market.

The President of the Board of Trade, added Mr. Whitehead, very significantly stated at the annual dinner of the National Federation that mere fixation of prices on the home markets could not be regarded as reorganisation.

HIGH LONDON
BUILDINGWarning By Fine Art
Commission.

INEFFECTIVE 'REGULATIONS'

The growth of high buildings in London is the subject of a strong warning by the Royal Fine Art Commission, of which the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres is chairman.

In their fifth report, issued on March 9, the Commissioners state that the effect of these tall buildings upon other buildings of national and historic interest, among which are monuments of the greatest importance and fame, has in many cases been obviously detrimental.

After referring to the London Building Acts, the Commissioners continue: "Of late years it has become increasingly evident that the regulations are no longer effective in safeguarding the national or public amenities of the Metropolis. Similar conditions prevail, or are developing, in many provincial cities."

"A striking example is provided by the relation of recently erected buildings to St. Paul's Cathedral."

"The distant views to St. Paul's provide some of the most famous and beautiful prospects in London, or, indeed, in any other great city. Of these views two, namely, those from Waterloo Bridge and from the Surrey side of Southwark Bridge, have been disastrously blocked by newly erected structures."

Pointing out that every increase in height is a concession of which the money value is often great, the Commissioners add: "It has been granted irrespective of the width of existing streets, and of other considerations important to public interests."

"It would appear that any concessions should be accompanied by some advantage to the public of light, of air, or of amenity—but surrendering frontage for road widening, or by setting back the faces of the building in order to provide a wide angle of light."

SKYSCRAPER OF
175 STOREYSOhio Resident Plans
Monster Building.

A building of 175 storeys has been designed by a resident of Columbus, Ohio. The plan shows a site of six square blocks, with airplane landing and a hitching post for dirigibles on the top of the great structure. He calls it the N. R. A.

The designer has spent 872 hours working on the plans. Under the N.R.A. 80 hours a week programme he has given 324 weeks, or nearly more than eight months on the plan.

Royalty Lost, Wife Won



Prince Sigvard of Sweden, pictured with Erika Patzek, for whom he surrendered his royal rights and became plain Mr. Bernadotte (his family name) by marrying her in London. Fraulein Patzek is a German movie actress. The former prince is employed in Berlin as a film director.

HUGE HANGAR
CONSTRUCTION
AT SHANGHAIMost Modern In
China.

COMPLETION BY JULY

Shanghai.

Ground was broken last month for the new hangar of the China National Aviation Corporation, bringing the improvement of Shanghai's facilities for handling aircraft to a speedy reality. The extensive progress of the C.N.A.C. with the establishment of new routes will be amply accommodated by improvements being made in landing facilities.

At Shanghai, the Lungwa Airdrome has already been improved so that with the completion of the new hangar, scheduled in May, Lungwa will be a modern airport equipped to handle both land and sea planes. The landing field now has four-directional runways, the approaches to the field have been cleared, and a drainage system insuring a firm field regardless of weather has been installed. In addition, the Lungwa field is already equipped with radio and additional stations along various routes will be established.

Highest In China. The new C.N.A.C. hangar will have a main single span of 120' x 120' and will have wings on both sides 25' wide and 120' long. The clearance under the entrance will be 27', the highest ever built in China. The wings will have two stories in part, the upper portion to be used for offices, pilot rooms, etc. One wing will be used as a shop and the other wing for equipment and stores. Suitable arrangements are included for the fire-proof storage of airplane wing spirit.

The hangar will be built of steel and brick with a maximum number of windows to allow for the greatest amount of light. The hangar will be opened and closed by sliding doors built in sections. When completed, the new unit will be a member in the total scheme of the Lungwa development.

A new hangar is now in the process of construction at the Hungjao Airdrome and will be shortly completed. It will replace several of the mat sheds now used at Hungjao to house airplanes operating from that field.

RAPID PROGRESS MADE

Shanghai, April 10.

Construction work on the China National Aviation Corporation's new hangar at Lungwa airdrome is making rapid progress.

The piles have already been driven and pouring of concrete will be started to-day.

The new hangar, which will be one of the most modern in China, is the first unit of an extensive scheme for a well-equipped land and sea port at Lungwa. It should be completed by July 1.

NEW WEST-END
CINEMASimple Design Inside
And Outside.

CURZON THEATRE OPENED

The Curzon Theatre, the new "intimate" cinema on the corner of Curzon-street and West Chapel-street, London was opened on March 6.

The theatre's design, inside and out, is of the simplest possible kind. A tiny electric sign gives the name of the house, and to ascertain the name of the picture showing you have to consult an unobtrusive announcement above the door of the foyer. The stars are not mentioned.

All the seats are on the ground floor, a balcony having been dispensed with on the ground that perfect acoustics cannot be obtained on more than one level. The ceiling is broken by a series of waves or coxes, which conceal the lights—some 1,500 in all. The walls are plain white, which makes a perfect background for elaborate lighting effects.

Every seat is an armchair, properly raked to give comfort; and there are two arm-rests between the seats, so that there is no need to indulge in the usual furtive elbowing of your neighbour to secure a rest.

ROAD OPENS NEW
AREAS.Big Bend Highway
Well Advanced.

Ottawa.

One of the most important highway construction projects under way in Canada at the present time is the building of a motor road around the Big Bend of the Columbia River, between Golden and Revelstoke, British Columbia.

This new highway, on which construction is well advanced, will complete the last link in the western half of the proposed trans-Canada highway, and establish direct communication between the prairies and the coast.

In 1927, the Government of Canada, through the Department of the Interior, completed a highway link from Lake Louise in Banff National Park, Alberta, across the Kicking Horse Pass and Yoho National Park to connect with the provincial Kicking Horse Canyon road from Golden.

About the same time the government of the province of British Columbia completed the building of a scenic highway up the Fraser River Valley as far as Revelstoke.

There remained only the barrier of the Selkirk Mountains, between these unconnected links, but this barrier was a most formidable one, presenting engineering difficulties of many kinds.

America Builds Super-Train

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STREAM-LINED EXPRESS

American railway companies have decided that the only way to dissuade people from travelling long distances by road is to develop super-speed trains.

They have resolved too that speed alone is not enough, there must be comfort with all petty annoyances connected with railway travel banished for ever.

So they have produced a new train. It is called The Express Railroad. American railroad engineers already regard it as the train of the future.

Here are some facts about it:

Performance:

With three coaches, weighing 85 tons (about the weight of a single sleeping car) it can carry 116 passengers, 11 tons of mail and baggage, at a speed of 90-110 m.p.h. for 1200 miles without stopping to refuel its oil-electric engine. A new arrangement is said to prevent the train leaving the station until all the brakes are in perfect working order.

Size:

It is 11 ft. high from the ground against the usual 13 ft. on the American railways; its centre of gravity, the "safety-factor value" when negotiating curves at high speed, is 38 inches above the rails, against the normal 5 ft.

Appearance:

Caterpillar-like in its streamlining, was designed from tests with scale models in the wind tunnel of the University of Michigan. Painted boldly in golden brown and canary yellow so that the eye can readily discern it from a long distance. The driver's windows, equipped with electric rain-wipers, set high up on the snub-nose of the locomotive to provide wide range of vision, remind one of a motorcar windshield.

There is no outward sign of machinery.

Construction:

Made of aluminium alloy, the only cast iron being that used to line the cylinders of the engine. Constructed of an outer and inner shell, the space between being filled with a composition which keeps out sound, insulates against heat or cold, and is fire-proof.

Comfort Design: Seats are in pairs on each side of

an aisle. Each of them is individual, and can be adjusted to four positions. One of the positions is for resting, dozing, or even sleeping. The windows of unsplinterable glass cannot be opened. Under each armchair seat there is an air-conditioning apparatus which cleans and corrects the temperature of the air around each passenger.

Each seat has an adjustable writing-desk which can be used for meals served by a waiter who trundles around the food on a trolley. The crockery is not of china, but of a composition which is unbreakable, and weighs, in all, 189 lb. against 530 lb.—the weight of a conventional china service.

The windows extract certain rays from the sunshine to prevent glare. Indirect lighting is so arranged that passengers can request one of three degrees of power.

Interior decoration is bright, being in blue and white.

Warning Apparatus:

There are five installations to give ample warning of the approach of such a fast train. One forward headlight shows up the line to the driver, another on the roof shines vertically to provide an additional visual warning, and there are two sirens and an electric gong.

Cost:—\$40,000

A second and more powerful train has been ordered.

GOVERNMENT WORK
FOR CLYDE.\$1,000,000 Contracts To
Be Signed.

The announcement by the Admiralty that Clyde shipbuilders are to be entrusted with the building of another two vessels of the 1933 programme has given great satisfaction in the West of Scotland.

Subject to the settlement of certain points of detail, the following contracts will be signed:—Messrs. Yarrow and Company, Limited, Scotstoun, to build a flotilla leader—H.M.S. Grenville; and Messrs. Scott's Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, Limited, Greenock, to build a submarine—H.M.S. Seawolf—of the "S" class.

These contracts will represent something approaching £1,000,000 sterling, and will mean employment for a large number of men for many months.—*Engineering*.

BIG CLOCK TOWER
MOVED EN BLOCSix Men Execute
40-Ton Job.

A clock tower was recently moved from the corner of Bow Common Lane and Burdett Road, Stepney, to a site about a mile away.

It was moved in one piece!

The clock tower, measuring 8 ft. by 8 ft. by 35 ft., weighed a mere 40 tons (estimated)! "She"—it was feminine to all the men on the job, perhaps because "she" was delicate and at times a little capricious—had, of course, to be carried upright.

The fragility accounted for the loading and unloading being the trickiest part of the operation, and the other important factor governing the work was the necessity of starting at 1 a.m., when trams and other traffic ceased, and being off the spot when they wished to start again on Sunday morning; the height of the load, 35 ft., plus 8 in. ground clearance, necessitated cutting the overhead wires of the trams.

And so, in the strange light of acetylene flares, the men hastened, surrounded by hundreds of worthy burghesses, who found the spectacle sufficiently attractive to stay them from their beds. The job was executed by half a dozen men without a hitch.

500 M.P.H. ROCKET
INVENTED.Model Nears Completion
In America.

Worcester (Mass.)

A rocket to travel at more than 500 miles an hour after penetrating the stratosphere 50 or 60 miles above the earth is being completed by Professor Robert H. Goddard in his laboratory at Clark University.

He declines to estimate the maximum speed attainable by the rocket, but says that any aircraft propelled by it would "literally become a projectile."

A speed of 500 miles an hour had been attained during experiments with models in New Mexico.

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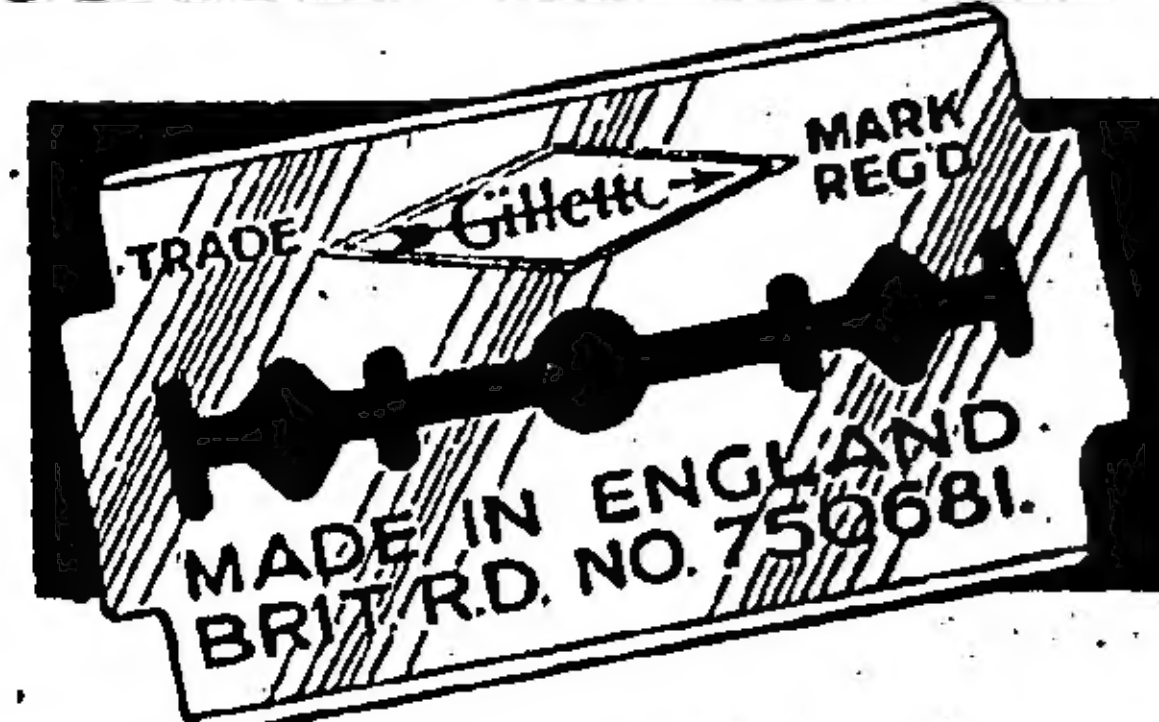
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Monday, April 16, 1934.

France's Insistence On Security.

Disarmament negotiations and happenings of the last few weeks are providing the British Cabinet with abundant material for close and anxious consideration. The French Government's reply to the British Disarmament Memorandum and the German Government's reply to France resemble the closing speeches at a long-drawn-out trial previous to the summing-up. In this case, they not merely reply to one another, but France raises once again what is to her the crucial question of Security and Sanctions. In effect, it is understood, she asks whether in the event of any infraction of the terms of a Disarmament Convention Britain should be ready to act automatically and universally. If that is to be the final question on which the fate of the Disarmament Conference is to depend, the outlook must be regarded as sombre indeed, for Great Britain's position on this head is thoroughly well known. Nor, apart from that, is the outlook brightened by the general tenor of a Note which returns in effect a direct Non Possumus, hardly to be distinguished from a Non Volumus, to the British revised plan. Not even the friendly language in which the Note is couched can disguise the unhappy trust that France still finds in the British proposals only a scheme which, while legalising German rearmament, would limit French armaments without guaranteeing French security. For the latter she requires "a European organisation" to prevent infractions of a Disarmament Convention and to suppress all aggression, with an authority which can only reside in the League of Nations. That throws the whole question back on to first principles, whereas the supreme object of the British Government was to get down to definite, concrete proposals of a regulated rearmament of Germany, accompanied by a regulated

ed disarmament of the highly armed Powers. We cannot detect any sign from the semi-official resume of the Note that France is any more ready to come to terms with Germany than she was any time last year. In the two Notes the points of contact are not emphasised like the points of difference, and though encouraging admissions may be noted, the impression is left of refractory elements which refuse to be brought into any sort of harmonious composition. After two years this is extremely disappointing, and though the German Note is particularly conciliatory, the conclusion can hardly be resisted that the tentative pattern on the loom has been unravelled, and that the work, if it is to be done at all, must be done over again. In this connection Signor Mussolini's remarkable oration to his Fascists a fortnight ago at Rome assumes a special significance. Much of the bravura must be allowed to the occasion, especially as it coincided with the successful conclusion of the new Pact with Austria and Hungary. Even if the Disarmament Conference were to end in the total failure which he seems already to take for granted, we believe that the friends of the League of Nations will be ready to do more than accept a Latin epitaph. Signor Mussolini laid down the principles of Italian policy with uncommon frankness and precision. He said, in particular, that Austria could count on Italy for help in defending her independence as a Sovereign State, and that "expansion in Africa" was the task which he assigned to future generations of Italians. Whether the independence of Austria as "a buffer State" between Italy and Germany is to be maintained by more, if need be, than diplomatic weapons was, of course, left indeterminate. As for the "African expansion," he disclaimed "territorial conquest," but warned "the Powers in possession not to block the spiritual, political, and economic expansion of Fascist Italy." We would not describe these words as provocative or aggressive. But they are assuredly disturbing, because, either now or later, it is almost certain that they will call forth an answering, and perhaps a challenging, response.

HERE, THERE, and EVERYWHERE

Detecting Picture Fakes

The new laboratory for the study of pictures at the Courtauld Institute, London, made possible by the £50,000 bequest of the late Norman Wilkinson, will have three main lines of research: the chemical investigation of pigments, media and varnishes; the best methods of cleaning, repairing damaged pictures; and the conservation of existing masterpieces.

The pioneer of scientific art research was Sir Humphry Davy. More than 100 years ago he analysed the paint on the frescoes at Pompeii.

Scientific analysis is of great value in determining whether a picture is genuine or a fake.

The chemical analysis of tiny fragments of paint is the surest of all methods of identifying a fake. Certain pigments are known to have been discovered at definite dates: blue and green bice in the middle of the seventeenth century, Prussian blue early in the eighteenth and chrome and cadmium yellows in the nineteenth.

If these colours are found on a canvas the earliest date at which it can have been painted is established.

How To Be A Hermit

The furniture and decorations of a Fifth Avenue flat were sold in New York recently. It was a very nice flat.

It had 24 bathrooms, 18 servants' rooms, a Roman swimming pool, three black and white marble kitchens, and 26 extension telephones.

The staircase cost £50,000, but there were also four private lifts: a pleasant gesture.

The owner was the late Mr. John Markle, the multi-millionaire coal operator.

Seized by a desire "to live far from the madding crowd," he installed himself in this secluded retreat on Fifth Avenue at the age of 70.

Jewels From Russia

The jewelled objects of art, the execution of the great Russian craftsman, Karl Faberge, which were sold at Christie's recently are probably the last of their kind to be made anywhere in the world.

The present collection is part of a treasure that was sent to an exhibition in East Siberia at the time of the revolution.

The train in which it was being returned to Moscow was captured first by Reds and later by Whites. The Reds overlooked the treasure, and the Whites discovered it and carried it to safety. They facilitated their retreat by judicious gifts from the Jewels on the way.

Your Daily Smile.

Helping Hand Department.

A travel writer says that the prettiest and friendliest girls in the world live in Iceland.

Fare to Iceland: £17 19s. 6d.

COURT NEWS

Pimlico urchin, passing Buckingham Palace: "Muvver, ain't the King an' Queen comin' out?"

"No," said mother.

"Why not?"

"Cos I says so."

Another Lie About Scotland "Silver collection," said the notices.

"De ye tak' papers?" asked the Aberdeenian.

"Oh, certainly," he was told.

"So he put in a piece of silver paper."

THESE MODERN LOVERS

The lover calls it "wheeling"; then husband calls it "nagging"; and then, the lovers step in and diagnose it as "mental cruelty."

Consistent

The nudist motorist who stripped his gear.

CITY CAMEOS

"Well, did you have any luck when you spoke to your wife about economy?"

"Sure! I've got to give up smoking and drinking."

SOLENN THOUGHT

All yes-men are no men.

NAZI MOVEMENT IN AUSTRIA

HITLER'S HOME OVERLOOKS CONQUERED PROVINCE

ACTIVITIES UNCHECKED BY PERSECUTION

(By Pembroke Stephens.)

When Dr. Dollfuss returned to Vienna to make his complaint to the League, the Nazi chiefs and storm-troopers were gathered on the Austrian frontier.

But the occasion of their gathering was an entirely harmless one. Their ski-ing championship were being held on the slopes round Berchtesgaden, where Hitler himself lives.

Hitler is obsessed by Austria. The first words of his autobiography explain his policy:

"I consider it a happy dispensation of Providence that fate should have given me Braunau on the Inn, of all places, as a birthplace. For this tiny town lies near the Danube, between those two German States the reunion of which, at least to us younger men, appears as a life duty to be carried through with every means in our power. German Austria must come back to the great German motherland. Even if this reunion were injurious from an economic point of view it would have to be. The same blood must be gathered together within one land."

Fired by the confidence of their leader the Austrian Nazis redoubled their activity last winter. Drive from Berchtesgaden to Salzburg by night and you will see fiery crosses gleaming in the blackness. From a score of mountains round Salzburg a flaming Hakenkreutz shines out. Nazis scoop out giant swastikas in the snow, fill the carved crevices with wood, grass and inflammables, and set the crosses on fire. The Austrian police are tired of climbing up steep mountain sides at night. They let the crosses burn, flaring a defiant message.

Since the Austrian Nazi party was disbanded by order of Dr. Dollfuss, 30,000 members have been imprisoned, 10,000 members have fled over the border, and 150,000 new members have been secretly enrolled, in spite of the threat that discovery means a concentration camp.

The Austrian refugees in Germany are sent to voluntary labour camps and the best are given political instruction so that they can act as leaders should a change of front in Austria lead to their recall.

A "Conquered Province"

An Austro-German attempt to come to terms at a meeting of officials in Berlin failed. Hitler's spokesmen promised to abolish the 1,000 mark visa for German tourists visiting Austria if some of the restrictions at present hampering Nazi followers in Austria were abolished, and permission was given to German tourists to fly their little Hitler flags on their cars. This was refused by the Austrians and the friendly feeling was worsened by a Christmas broadside from Austrian bishops against the Nazi regime.

One hundred swastika flags are hoisted on public buildings in Austria by intrepid Nazis every day. Rafta cut in the form of swastikas are covered with tar and launched down the Danube at night. Nazis in canoes fire them when night falls. In Vienna bones are wrapped up in paper parcels containing thousands of tiny swastikas, and dogs worry the packets, scattering the sign of the Teuton cross all over the pavements and roads. At night swastikas are painted on the streets.

Propaganda and persecution have made the border-foke Nazi. Salzburg is Nazi now, and Hitler from his mountain chalet near Berchtesgaden looks down on a conquered province, not a promised land.

For he has revived the old-fashioned monarchic custom of a separate seat in town and country, spending summer months and winter weeks at Haus Wachenfeld, by Berchtesgaden, a wild and inaccessible village on the border between Austria and Germany.

The house is a wooden Alpine villa, is furnished in peasant style. The main colour scheme is a restful green. The living rooms are littered with masses of cushions and ornaments, all of them presents from unknown admirers and friends. The hall is filled with cactus plants, and there is little to distinguish the villa of the German Chancellor from thousands of German homes except that Hitler's taste is both simpler and better than that of his average subject.

A portrait of Hitler's mother hangs near his bed with a poem on Motherhood beneath it, and a tiny coin-shaped picture nearby, inscribed with the Lord's Prayer. Volumes of Carl May, the children's author, fill the bookcase.

A jewelled hunting horn sent as a present by some Siegfried tenor in a moment of patriotism after hearing a Hitler speech, and a magnificent silver-box fur rug, sent by a well-wisher from the Argentine, are the only objects of real value in the room.

Behind the villa stands a dark army of pines. The tracks of deer and hares cross the ski marks on the slopes. The sound of sleigh-drivers' bell and the cries of red-faced children dragging toboggans mingle with the beat of hammers where workmen are building a house for General Goering so that he can be near his beloved chief.

For ten years Hitler and the other Nazi leaders have plotted and planned in the Bavarian mountains. Year after year the leaders met in the red-panelled parlour of the Platterhof (now St. Moritz Hotel), an inn famous as the scene of the great religious novel "Zwei Menschen," by Rudolph Voss.

The conspirators met at night, fearful of persecution and arrest. It was here that Hitler's followers hid in the cellar after the failure of the Munich putsch. Soon after his release Hitler bought Haus Wachenfeld and the meetings at the Platterhof ceased.

Now Nazi chiefs can go up from Munich for the week-end when any crisis demands an informal conference. So that while the foreign ministers of constitutional countries hurry round, and Sir John Simon finds that all roads lead to Rome, Hitler, the cause of all the trouble, can be in mountain home indifferent to care and worry.

Young Hitler wanted to be an architect, and the improvements and additions he has made at the villa are the only examples of architecture fate has allowed him to show. The guards' and visitors' rooms, the new verandah and garage fit into the original frame of the simple wooden house admirably.

The view from Haus Wachenfeld is open and immense, closed by towering white mountain peaks, stained by dark forests. In the valley, at a bare distance of ten miles, shines the old fortress of Salzburg, and at night the lights of the city beckon in the frosty air. Just out of sight around the corner is Braunau. There Austria lies.

Hundreds of Germans write every week to Frau Raubal, Hitler's sister and caretaker, expressing their anxiety at the isolated position of Haus Wachenfeld and the easiness of attack. "I have the feeling," says Hitler, "that even if an attack were to be made on me it would not succeed. I know that I shall live to accomplish my destiny in peace."

Two big man-eating sharks were killed in Table Bay.

When the Swedish motorship Hammaran was coming into the dock, a shark was sucked in by her propeller and cut to pieces. A driver had to go down later to cut away the body which was impaled on one of the propeller blades.

Later a pilot tug found the other shark feeding on the head of its companion. The head had been cut clean off and was floating on the surface, and the tug rammed the second shark and it sank and was not seen again. The head of the one shark was hauled on board and the teeth were removed by the crew.

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\$243,000 CLAIM BY BANK

Amendment Sought By Defence.

OPIUM SHIPMENT IN 1930

The application for amendment of the defence, in the claim by the Bank of Taiwan and Messrs. H. S. M. R. Kuzerom and Sons on Messrs. Rickmers Rhederai, A.G., for £17,000 or the equivalent, assessed at \$243,000, was opened before the Chief Justice, the Hon. Mr. A. D. A. McGregor and Mr. Justice P. Jacks, and a full Court this morning.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., C.B.E., and Mr. Leo D'Almada appeared for the defendants and appellants, and Mr. E. Potter and Mr. H. C. Macnamara were for the plaintiffs and respondents.

Mr. Jenkin, opening his case, said that certain clauses in the defence had been disallowed by Mr. J. R. Wood, former Chief Justice, on February 1. The case, he said, concerned the shipment of 100 cases of opium by the plaintiffs from Bushire in Persia to Dalren, and in the Bill of Lading were clauses permitting the shippers to trans-ship the cargo where they pleased. The opium was trans-shiped to the s.s. Claus Richmer, owned by the defendants, in Hong Kong, and on its arrival in Shanghai the cargo seized by the Chinese Maritime Customs on November 20, 1930.

In July 1931 the opium was still in the hands of the Customs, and the defendants were informed that the Government had decided to confiscate it.

The claim is based on breach of contract, in that the goods were not delivered in Dalren, and in tort in that the defendants were negligent as to cause a breach of the Customs regulations, resulting in the seizure of the cargo.

Withdrawal Of Clause. Application was made to Mr. Wood for leave to withdraw three clauses in the defence.

Firstly, that in pleading they had admitted that Messrs. McKinnon and McKenzie had shipped the opium as agents for the plaintiffs.

Secondly, whether they may withdraw from their statement of defence the admission that there were "regulations" in the Bill of Lading.

Thirdly, that the original statement of defence may be amended to include a clause in the Bill of Lading with regard to confiscation of restraint of cargo by a Ruler, and that the defendants are not required to give full particulars of the reason for seizure.

Mr. Jenkin said that Mr. Wood had insisted that defendants must assign a reason for the confiscation of the goods, other than defendants' own negligence, which was denied. The Maritime Customs had, in correspondence, refused to give any reason for confiscating the cargo, and Mr. Jenkin quoted authorities to support his argument that where any particulars, such as these were unobtainable they shall not be called for.

The case is proceeding.

HINKLER MEMORIAL SUBSIDY

Queensland Government To Grant £500.

TRIBUTE TO AIRMAN

Brisbane, Queensland. The Government has decided to subsidise the Hinkler Memorial in Bundaberg, Queensland, to the extent of £500.

When making this announcement, the Premier, Mr. W. F. Smith, remarked that a committee had been set up in Bundaberg to raise funds for the building of an adequate memorial in that city to his illustrious son, Bert, Hinkler. The Mayor of Bundaberg, (Alderman McLean) had called upon him to discuss the question of assistance.

Mr. Smith said that the Cabinet had considered the matter and agreed to the proposal that the funds raised by the committee should be increased on a £ for £ basis, but the Government's commitment was not to exceed £500. — Reuter.

Philippine Queen



Miss Clarita Tan Kiang, of Manila, who was chosen as the reigning "Queen of Beauty" of the Philippine Islands to preside over the carnival at Manila. The carnival is the gayest event in the territory and natives flock from surrounding islands to take part.

MUI TSAI STEALS WALLET.

Remanded For Two Days.

Ng Tso-yu, a 19-year-old man, and Kwan Sam, a woman, were charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, for stealing a wallet, containing \$358.20 from Li Loi-yu at No. 15 Hing On Road last Saturday, and for receiving respectively.

Kwan Sam was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, while Ng Tso-yu was remanded for 48 hours, pending the recommendation of the Secretary of Chinese Affairs.

DYNAMITE HAUL AT ABERDEEN.

235 Sticks And 401 Detonators.

Arrested on board a junk, No. 1779 H. A., in Aberdeen Bay, last Saturday, in possession of 235 sticks of dynamite and 401 detonators, Lai Yuk-shing, master of the fishing junk, was fined \$150, in default three months' hard labour, on first charge and \$50, in default one month's hard labour, on the second charge, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Inspector Armit, prosecuting, said that dynamite had been reported as stolen from several companies, but as the sticks were not found in their original containers, the Police were unable to trace ownership.

BUS DRIVERS MUST BE MARRIED.

Istanbul Municipality's New Decree.

SEQUEL TO ACCIDENT WAVE

Istanbul. The Istanbul Municipality has decided that all motor-bus drivers in the city must be married, teetotalers, and they must not take drugs or play cards.

Regulations to that end are being framed in consequence of an alarming series of bus accidents in recent weeks.

Presumably the Municipality believes that bachelors are more likely to be reckless than men with wives and families.

Measures are also being taken to reduce bus drivers' working hours, which at present number 12 or 15 a day. — Reuter.

JAPANESE STEALS WATER CLOSET SWITCHES

Pleading guilty to the theft of three automatic water closet switches, the property of Lam Wah-ches, of 18 Lung Fat Street, Shatin, a Japanese subject, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

LION AND LIONESS FIGHT TO DEATH

Hazardous Experience For Clyde Beatty.

20-MINUTE BATTLE IN CAGE

Cleveland, Ohio. Clyde Beatty, the famous animal trainer, has had a harrasing experience.

Sammie, one of his prized male lions weighing 400 lbs., leaped from a perch inside the performing cage at a public hall here and attacked a young lioness while Mr. Beatty was inside the cage.

"Outside!" yelled attendants to Beatty. "Outside! they'll kill you."

Ranged around the trainer were half a dozen other beasts waiting for the crack of his whip to send them through their paces.

One eye on them, the other on the two lions locked in a death grip, Beatty plied his whip. The fighters refused to respond. Streams of water from three fire hoses also failed to separate the snarling animals.

For 20 minutes Beatty fought to part them and at length he seized Sammie by the neck and clubbed him with an iron pipe. The lion's jaws parted, but the lioness was dead.

"She was a beautiful specimen," Beatty said. "We paid \$100 for her. It was lucky the other animals didn't try to mix in." — Reuter.

RARE VOLUMES FOR UNIVERSITY

From Private Library Of Late Tsar.

ACQUIRED BY AMERICA

Philadelphia. Rare volumes from the private library of the late Tsar of Russia, and valuable ethnographical material from Central Russia, Thibet and Siberia, have been received by the University of Pennsylvania Museum.

They will be added to the permanent Russian collections of the museum, having been acquired through arrangements with leading Soviet museums for the exchange of books, ethnographical and archaeological objects and scientific data.

The announcement says the majority of the 125 books received bear the private bookplate of a Russian Tsar, are devoted to archaeological subjects and are beautifully bound.

The first of them is "The Byzantine Enamels of A. V. Zvenigorodsky" 200 copies of which were printed in 1896 at a cost of approximately \$40,000. Despite the cost, none of the copies was ever placed on sale and that acquired by the University of Pennsylvania bears the number "1" and the inscription "The Copy Of His Majesty the Emperor."

Written by Professor N. P. Kondakov and dedicated to Emperor Alexander III. The book was so favourably received that the Patriarch of Jerusalem sent Zvenigorodsky a gold cross. Scientific societies and universities honoured him and he received decorations from Pope Leo XIII. and from 37 foreign rulers.

Another book, 36 by 26 inches, published specially for Emperor Alexander II. is devoted to a description of the ceremonies of his coronation in 1856. — Reuter.

GEN. CRAIG MAY BE PROMOTED.

Chief of Staff Of U.S. Army.

San Francisco. An unconfirmed rumour abroad here to-day said that Major General Malin Craig, commandant of the Ninth Corps Area since Nov. 21, 1930, is elected to succeed Major General Douglas MacArthur as chief of staff of the United States Army.

General MacArthur has been chief of staff the same length of time that General Craig has been commandant of the Ninth Corps Area.

Both men are well known in the Far East.

To-day's Short Story

My Adventure At Soissons

By Alexandre Dumas.

PARIS was in the hands of the revolutionaries, but the victory we had won in those three days of street-fighting at the end of July, 1830, seemed to be in peril. For at the Hotel de Ville I heard General La Fayette, the leader of the revolutionaries, lament that there was an acute shortage of powder. If the Royalist troops were to advance on Paris, we should be able to defend ourselves against them.

"Let me fetch powder, general," I said. "Soissons is a garrison town and must have plenty to spare."

"But it is a Royalist centre!" General La Fayette exclaimed. "You must be mad!"

"Oh, no, I am sane enough," I replied, "I'll even swear to it. At any rate, give me a pass so that I can see General Gerard."

I went to the table and scribbled the line, "Permit M. Alexandre Dumas to see General Gerard." La Fayette signed the order, and, since I still had the pen in my hand, I added the words, "To whom we recommend the project he has just made." That order gave me access to General Gerard, who was responsible for the military supplies, but he did not take to my suggestion with enthusiasm.

"And General La Fayette has actually recommended that proposition!" General Gerard ejaculated, when I had explained my intention of fetching powder from Soissons.

"Read for yourself," I replied, "the sentence is plain enough. All I ask, general, is an order calling upon the military authorities to surrender the powder."

"But the plan is impossible," said Gerard. "The chances are twenty to one that you will be shot. Be-

sides, I cannot compromise myself by signing any such order."

"Yet I am prepared to compromise myself by carrying it out," I answered. "Let me draft an order."

I wrote quickly, and presented him with a sheet on which I had jotted down these words: "The military authorities of Soissons are requested to surrender all the powder in the magazine or in the town to M. Alexandre Dumas."

I had expected General Gerard to copy the order in his own handwriting, but it was perhaps lucky that he merely signed by draft. For then I was able to write below his name, "Minister of War." I hurried back to General La Fayette, and obtained from him a proclamation addressed to the citizens of Soissons.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Trifles," by Hjalmar Bergman.

I had now all the documents I required for my expedition, but I felt that it would be convenient to have a travelling companion—if only for the purpose of securing decent burial for me in case of the disaster which Generals La Fayette and Gerard anticipated. As I came down the steps of the Hotel de Ville, I espied a young painter named Bard.

"Ah, Bard, old fellow," I said, "come along with me."

"Where to?"

"To Soissons," I replied. "For the purpose of getting shot."

"I should love it," Bard said. I asked him to fetch my double-barrelled pistols from my flat, and to meet me at Le Bourget, and the worthy fellow did as he was told. I had been born not far from Soissons, and I knew that the gates of the town closed at eleven. As it was three before I left Paris, and the distance was twenty-four leagues, there was no time to lose.

We changed horses every few leagues and covered half the journey in slightly over four hours. But at Nanteuil they gave us an old postilion who regarded his horses as more important than the service of the Revolution. Since argument was lost upon him, I made him descend, drew his boots on my own legs, and, jumping up on the saddle-horse, went off at full gallop.

We created a sensation when we reached Villers-Cotterets. It is my native town and friends implored me not to go to Soissons, stronghold of Royalism. I explained, however, that not only would I drive on to Soissons, but that I meant to reach it before eleven.

"You won't manage it," said a voice. "But I can get you in."

The speaker was a friend of mine, Huttin, who lived in Soissons and who, knowing the gate-keeper, could go in and out when he liked. Since there was no need for hurry in those circumstances, I thought that we might as well have supper. Cartier, the hotel-keeper, turned out a meal worthy of the occasion and twenty of us sat down to do it justice.

The opinion was that my expedition was doomed to failure. General La Fayette had said the chances were twenty to one against me; my Villers-Cotterets friends, with local knowledge, put the odds at a hundred to one and expressed the opinion that Bard and I would be shot before twenty-four hours had gone.

"Cartier," I said to the hotel-keeper, "I order a dinner for twenty at the same time to-morrow evening, on condition that it is eaten whether we survive or not. Here's the payment in advance."

"Keep your money," replied Cartier. "Pay for it to-morrow if you are alive. If not, I'll supply it free of charge in memory of you!"

We set off from Villers-Cotterets at eleven o'clock, and two hours later we were at Soissons. The gate-keeper recognised Huttin, and let us all pass through. He little knew that he had opened the gates of the town to the Revolution. We went to Huttin's house, but we did not go to bed. We had work to do first of all, for I had made up my mind that the white flag of the Royalists, which floated from the top of the cathedral, should be replaced by the tricolour of the Revolution.

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MR. W. B. WALKER'S DEATH

(Continued from Page 1.)

In January this year, on the formation of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, he was appointed president of the concern, with headquarters in New York.

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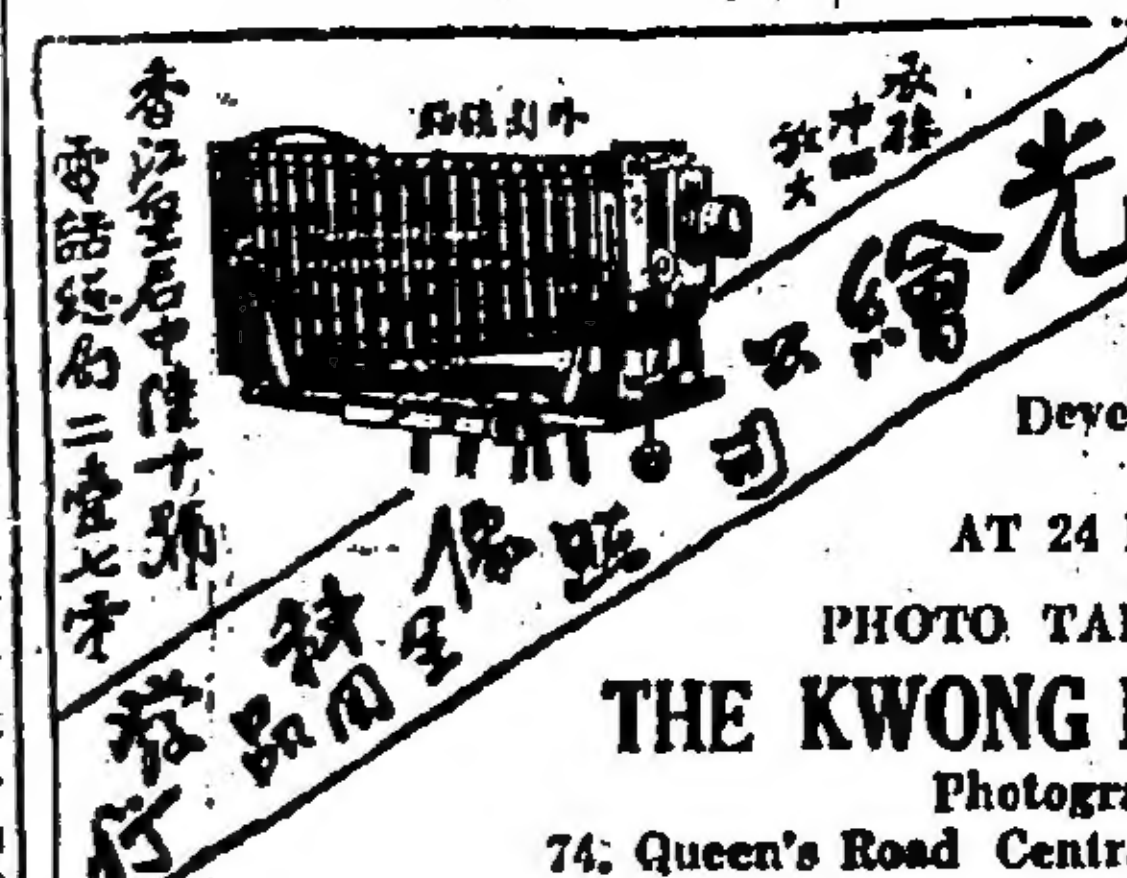


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SOUTH AFRICA'S POPULATION

1931 Statistics Just Published.

DECLINE IN MALES

Cape Town. Although more boys than girls are born in the Union, the natural increase in the population from the excess of births over deaths is greatly in favour of the girls. The masculinity of the population, therefore, is steadily declining.

This is due principally to the more hazardous occupations followed by males, as well as to the fact that male infants are less tenacious of life than female infants.

These facts are revealed in the report on the Vital Statistics of the Union for the year 1931, just published in the form of a Blue Book.

The total European population of the Union in 1931 was 1,829,300, as compared with 1,280,381 in 1911.

The European births registered in 1931 numbered 46,423, corresponding to a birth rate of 25.38 per thousand of the estimated population of the Union.

The number of births represents a decrease of 1.11, or 2.35 per cent. below the figure for 1930 and a decrease in the birth rate of 1.05 per thousand. The rate for 1931 is 7.14 per thousand lower than that for 1910, when it was 32.62 per thousand population.

Compared with 1930, the urban birthrate decreased from 24.64 to 23.28, and the rural rate from 23.15 to 23.69 per thousand.

The non-European births in 1931 were 58,171, but that figure is only an approximation on account of the laxity among natives in registration. — Reuter.

NEW MARKET FOR SOUTH AFRICA

Big Prospects Seen In Belgian Congo.

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M. Cloquet went on to describe the products of the Province of Katanga, in which Elizabethville is situated. All kinds of palm and nut oils, groundnuts and rubber were exported, while there was an almost inexhaustible supply of all kinds of tropical timber. — Reuter.



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My Adventure At Soissons

(Continued from Page 9.)

Hutin's mother gave us the red curtains from the dining-room, the blue one from the drawlax-room, and a white sheet completed the red, white and blue of the national flag. As for the flag-staff—the existing one would do perfectly well for the tricolour. Flag-staffs do not proclaim their opinions.

Our plans were soon made. Bard and Hutin were to substitute the tricolour for the Royalist flag, and I was to seize the powder magazine. Bard was to relieve me at the magazine while I went to the commandant of the town, M. de Linieres, to seek authority for carrying the powder back to Paris. It was quite simple to decide how we should like to obtain the powder.

I stationed myself at the powder magazine, and as soon as I saw the Royalist flag come down and the tricolour go up in its place, I climbed the wall, holding my rifle ready for action. The magazine was guarded by three old soldiers of unquestionable courage, but I hoped that they would not be unfavourably disposed towards the Revolution. They were gazing in surprise at the tricolour floating over the cathedral when I jumped down and presented my gun.

"I have come for all the powder in the town," I explained. "Please look at this order from General Gerard."

They stared at me in surprise but one of them read the order and was satisfied of its authenticity. Still covering them with my rifle, I asked them to give me their word of honour to go into their house and not stir without my permission. The promise was given and the three soldiers retired into their

house. At that moment Bard arrived and I handed over the command of the powder magazine to him. But before I left I arranged a little four-inch gun so that it was pointed at the main entrance.

"Smoke and keep on smoking," I told Bard. "So that if anyone breaks down the door you can pass a lighted cigarette across the priming." Bard raised no objection to a plan which gave him an excuse to smoke cigarette after cigarette, and I was on the point of setting out for the office of the commandant of the town when something occurred to me. I had given Bard my double-barrelled pistols, but he now had a cannon all to himself. A rifle, a cannon and pistols were excessive, so I took charge of the pistols myself.

It was not difficult to find the office of M. de Linieres, and the sentry at the door paid no attention to me when I passed through. M. de Linieres was engaged in interrogating an officer regarding the substitution of the Royalist flag by the tricolour.

"Pardon me, M. le Vicomte," I interrupted, "but if you want the full details, no one can give them better than myself."

"Who are you, monsieur?" the commandant cried in amazement.

There was some excuse for him. I had been fighting or travelling for the last four days and my clothes were torn and dirty. I lost no time in explaining my identity and the reason why I had made this descent upon Soissons. Then I produced the order given me by General Gerard. But it did not make M. de Linieres any more favourably disposed towards me. He was an ultra-Royalist. Paris might be in the hands of the Revolutionaries, he had said, but Soissons would remain faithful to the king. Rather than allow the town to be captured by the Republicans, he would destroy it and bury himself beneath its ruins.

"You must know, monsieur, that I do not recognise the authority of the Revolution," he said, handing me back the order. "Further, there is nothing to show that your pass is genuine—the document is not properly drawn up nor is it sealed."

"I give you my word of honour that the signature is really that of General Gerard."

"Oh, I don't doubt you for a moment," the commandant returned with a half ironical smile. "But further discussion is useless, for the magazine in this town does not contain two hundred cartridges."

The smile irritated me. "Since you don't know exactly, monsieur," I said, "I shall find out from the three soldiers who are my prisoners on parole."

"Your prisoners!" he ejaculated. "Exactly, M. le Vicomte," I said politely. "And when I have the information, I shall come back and pass it on to you!"

I went to the magazine and called out to Bard to ascertain the quantity of powder in the magazine. (Continued on Page 11)

MOSCOW MOBILISES WORKERS

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During the digging operations many relics of Moscow's past are uncovered. Among other things workers have come across an underground torture chamber where the Tsar Ivan the Terrible used to gloat over the persecution of his enemies among the Russian nobility in the middle of the 16th century.

Other things discovered are remains of old walls and moats which protected Moscow from Tartar raids, a blacksmith's shop with tools, clay pots, axes, and old vaults with clothing still clinging to the bones within. — Reuter.

THIEVES STEAL A CROSS.

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LACK OF MOTIVE Baffles POLICE

Madrid.

A 600-year-old religious relic known as the Cross of Caravaca, for many years an object of veneration by pilgrims, has been stolen from a castle near Madrid.

The police are puzzled to find a motive for the crime, since the thieves left behind the silver case in which the cross was kept—and the case, studded with diamonds, is estimated to be worth about £75,000.

The cross itself is intrinsically of little value. It is reputed to have belonged once to the Knights Templars. A Moorish king captured it from them, but afterwards gave it back on being converted to Christianity. — Reuter.

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Mother at Eleven



Although she will not be 12 years old until June, Mrs. Juanita McClish bears the proud title, "mother." Daughter of Mrs. W. W. Deane, Healthy Creek Indian, of Sapulpa, Okla., Mrs. McClish was married last year. She is shown with her baby, which weighed 9½ pounds at birth.

BRITISHER ROBBED IN FRANCE

Succoured By Generous Villagers.

COLLECTION FOR ASSISTANCE

Paris. The generosity of French villagers has rescued a 23-year-old Englishman Mr. Evan Lippey of Canterbury from an awkward predicament after he had been attacked and robbed outside the village of Besines, situated on the main road from Paris to Bordeaux.

Mr. Lippey has been making a bicycle tour of France and Spain in the interval between leaving home and taking up a post in an electrical work in Cairo.

A man from whom Mr. Lippey asked the way outside Besines replied by setting upon him and robbing him of his pocketbook with 550 francs (£7).

The unconscious Englishman was later found by motorists who took him into the village.

Realising the difficulty of his situation the villagers made a collection to help him on his way and the municipality advanced him a certain sum and paid for his hotel-bill for two days until he was sufficiently recovered to proceed.

Mr. Lippey has now left to see the British Consul at Bordeaux.

"We are happy to have done what we could," one of the village officials told *Reuter*.—*Reuter*.

FORTUNE FOLLOWS SUICIDE ATTEMPT.

Poverty-Stricken Barber Wins £4,000.

Lisbon. Because he was hard up and lonely a Lisbon barber hung himself into the River Tagus.

He was rescued by sailors from a gunboat anchored nearby. For two days he lay in hospital unconscious.

When he recovered he bought a ticket in a lottery, with his last few shillings sharing half of it with his neighbours.

The ticket won £4,000. Barbers have recently won big prizes in French and Spanish Lotteries also.—*Reuter*.

My Adventure At Soissons

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The reply was that the contents consisted of two hundred pounds, and with this information I returned to the commandant. As before, the sentry let me pass unquestioned. The commandant had been joined by the lieutenant of police and the Lieutenant-Colonel of the Engineers. The other officer was also present; I don't know who he was.

"I have sent for my colleagues," the commandant said in a jeering tone as I entered. "You can tell them the object of your mission."

"Merely a question of transferring powder from here to Paris," I said. "And M. de Vicomte, you are badly informed—the magazine contains two hundred pounds of powder."

"That has nothing to do with it," said the commandant. "The point is that you come to a military town with a garrison of eight hundred men to seize our supplies. Suppose we refuse—have you a force to take it?"

"I mean to take it," I said, "and, once again, I ask for your authorization."

"And you think, M. Dumas, that you can make me sign such an order? Perhaps you have noticed that there are four of us?"

I had posted myself so that I commanded the door and I had also prepared the double locks of my pistols. I drew them out quickly and pointed the muzzles at the others.

"Messieurs," I said, "unless the order is signed within five seconds, I will blow out your brains. As M. de Vicomte has pointed out, you are four—I have four bullets!"

I was deadly pale, but nevertheless my face showed that I meant to carry out my threat. The pistol in my right hand was only a foot and a half from M. de Linieres, and, holding it pointed steadily, I began to count the seconds. When I reached "three," there was an interruption. A side-door was flung open and the wife of M. de Linieres burst into the room. Her terror was apparent.

"Dearest, give in to him!" she cried. "It is another rising of the blacks!"

"Monsieur," said the commandant, "respect for my wife—"

"Monsieur," I interrupted, no less politely, "I have the greatest respect for Madame, but I have a sister and mother. Have the kindness to send Madame from the room so that we can fight this question between men."

"Dearest, dearest," Madame de Linieres continued to implore, gazing at me with terrified eyes all the while, "do what he asks—I beg you, do what he asks. Remember the massacre of my father and mother by the negroes in St. Domingo!"

When Madame de Linieres had cried that it was "another rising of the blacks," I had not understood what she meant. But now I did understand. She thought that I was a negro, from my fuzzy hair, with my complexion burnt black by three days in the sun, and my slight Creole method of speech. With the recollection of the murder of her parents by the negroes, she was overcome with fear. The situation was so strained that it could not be prolonged.

"How can I give in to one man?" the commandant asked me in despair. "It is impossible, monsieur."

"Would you like me to sign a document saying that you wrote the order at the point of my pistol?" I said.

"Yes, yes," yelled Madame de Linieres. "Dearest, do give in. I beg you, let him have his order."

"Or perhaps," I went on to the commandant, "you would prefer me to take up two or three friends so that we are four on each side?"

"Yes, monsieur," the commandant replied.

"Very well, M. le Vicomte," I said. "But beware—I am relying upon your word of honour not to move a single step."

The commandant and the other officers gave their word, and I unlocked my pistols.

"It is all over, madame," I said to the commandant's wife; and, turning to the officers, I added, "Messieurs, expect me back in five minutes."

I left the office, but I had no idea where I was to find the supporters to make the numbers equal on both sides. In the street, however, I saw a friend and a friend of his, Moreau, and I signalled to them to come into the courtyard and take up a position outside the window of the commandant's room. Then I returned to face M. de Linieres. The parole had been strictly kept and the officers had not stirred.

"Be good enough to inform M. le Commandant," I said through the window to Hutin and Moreau, "that you will fire immediately if the order to carry away the powder is not signed?"

Hutin and Moreau pointed their guns.

"Enough, monsieur," said the commandant. "I am ready to sign."

In a few moments I had the required authorisation signed by M. de Linieres. It empowered me to take away all the powder in the magazine, and I needed nothing more. I apologised to Madame de Linieres for my unavoidable intrusion and joined my friends outside.

It was suggested that I ought to do things in a legal way and that I should seek the assistance of the Mayor. When he saw my authorisation, the Mayor accompanied me to the magazine without question, and nothing could have been more legal than the proceedings when, in the presence of the Mayor, and by virtue of the order signed by the commandant, I called upon the guards to open up the magazine.

It contained less than two hundred pounds of powder. I was getting ready to arrange for its transportation when the Mayor claimed the powder for the defence of the town. That was not unreasonable, but I had not come too far and gone through so much in order to be stopped at the last by the Mayor. I was therefore on the point of replying that I could not admit the claim when one of the soldiers whispered to me that a storehouse in the town contained no less than three thousand pounds.

I told the Mayor that if I found three thousand pounds, he was welcome to the total contents of the powder magazine, and hurried to the keeper of the storehouse. That individual, however, would not give up the key, so it was necessary to leave him locked in his house and gain entrance to the storehouse ourselves. After doing everything we had to break down the door with axes.

We found the three thousand pounds and arranged for a wagon to carry it back to Paris for the use of the Revolutionaries. I was dead tired after the travelling and the excitement and I slept most of the way back to Paris. At nine o'clock next morning, I presented myself to General La Fayette. He had lost his voice and could not speak a word of welcome. But he held out his

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Swakopmund (South-west Africa).

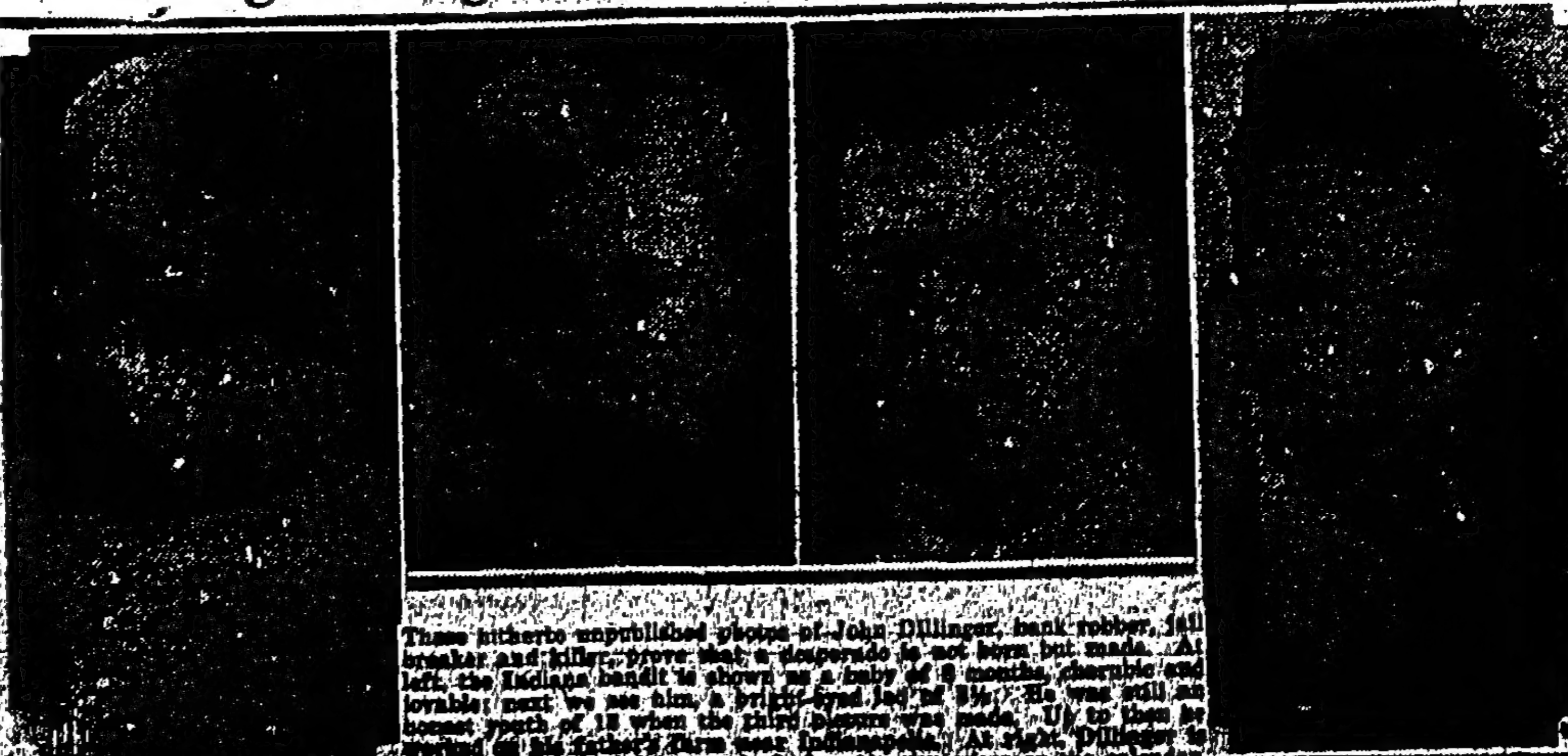
The arid, windswept Husab plateau of the Namib Desert has been the scene of another desert tragedy. Here the gruesome remains of thirst-stricken Europeans have been found.

The Husab, which forms a vast peninsula above the confluence of the rivers Khan and Swakop, is totally uninhabited. It is also quite waterless, except in exceptionally rain seasons, like the present, when pools are formed and the Khan and Swakop are in spate in their canyon-like depths, 500 feet below the surrounding desolation.

Except for lone prospectors or a scientist in search of strange desert plants, the place is almost taboo, but on the occasion of the discovery of the human remains two motorists, taking a short cut back to Swakop from the uplands, came suddenly across the relics lying among some stunted bushes.

On investigation these two well-known Swakopmund men, Messrs. Baumgart and Dusch, found parts of the bleached skeletons of two human beings, also a fully packed rucksack, two neatly rolled blankets, shorts, shirts, shoes and vest, but no name or papers except for the maker's name, Beyl, in the neck of the undershirt. On the matter being reported to the authorities it was recalled two native herds, on driving cattle across country a short while ago, not far from the Husab, came across a sheet of corrugated iron lying in the desert, under which they found the corpse of a white man.—*Reuter*.

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U. S. DEATH RAISES OLD STORY

New York. The much-discussed "curse" of Tut-Ankh-Amen is just a senseless myth, in the opinion of Mr. Herbert E. Winlock, director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

The death in Boston, of the well-known Egyptologist, Mr. Albert M. Lythgoe, who was present at the opening of the inner chamber of the tomb of King Tut-Ankh-Amen, has raised the old story of the supposed "curse."

From intimate knowledge of the excavations leading to the discovery of the 3,000 year-old Egyptian King, Mr. Winlock recalled that he knows 40 odd men and women who were connected with the work and who might have come under the curse.

Only six of them are dead, he said, and all from causes which appear natural.

In some Egyptian tomb writings were found which could have been termed curses on those who disturbed the dead, he added, but most of them amounted in severity to "no trespassing" signs.—Reuter.

NEW TEETH AT 75

Dubbo, N.S.W. An Englishman, Mr. J. E. Sanson, of Dubbo, has cut nine teeth at the age of 75.—Reuter.

U.S. AIR COMPANY TO REORGANIZE

United Aircraft To Bid For Mail Contracts.

New York. United Aircraft has announced its decision to reorganize.

The move would enable them to submit a bid for temporary contracts on twenty-one airmail routes, called for by Postmaster-General James Farley last March 30, after the Army had resumed operation of the mail lines under a curtailed schedule.

Mr. Farley specified, in his recent call for bids, that companies holding cancelled contracts were barred from submitting bids unless their officials swore that they at no time had sought to prevent any smaller firm from bidding.

The specifications stated, however, that any company holding a cancelled contract might submit a bid provided officers of the company who were instrumental in securing previous contracts wherein collusion was charged, were removed from office.

The Army air corps, under the direction of Major General Benjamin D. Foulois, chief of the air corps, took over flying the mails after the administration had charged that there was collusion in obtaining airmail contracts during former President Herbert Hoover's administration.

The P. and O. liner s.s. Corfu left Singapore for Hong Kong on Sunday at noon with outward Home mails, and is due here on Wednesday at about 11 a.m.

ANOTHER MONSTER DIAMOND

212½ Carat Stone Sells For \$140.

FIND AT ELANDSFONTEIN

Pretoria (Transvaal). The Elandfontein diamond diggings, already renowned through the discovery of the Jonker diamond, have still further consolidated their claim to be the richest alluvial diggings in the world. Another diamond—this one weighing 212½ carats—has now been found.

Thus three enormous stones have been picked up in a comparatively small area in the short space of three weeks—the first being the Pohl diamond, weighing 266½ carats, the second, the famous Jonker diamond, of 726 carats, and now a stone of 212½ carats.

The new diamond is pear-shaped in size, and is 1½ inches long, 1¼ inches wide, and 1 inch thick. It was put up for sale at Bynessport, and, although bidding was keen, it was knocked down for only 13s. a carat, or about \$140 for the stone, but this was due to the fact that the stone was of poor quality.—Reuter.

21,000 NEW GIRL SCOUTS

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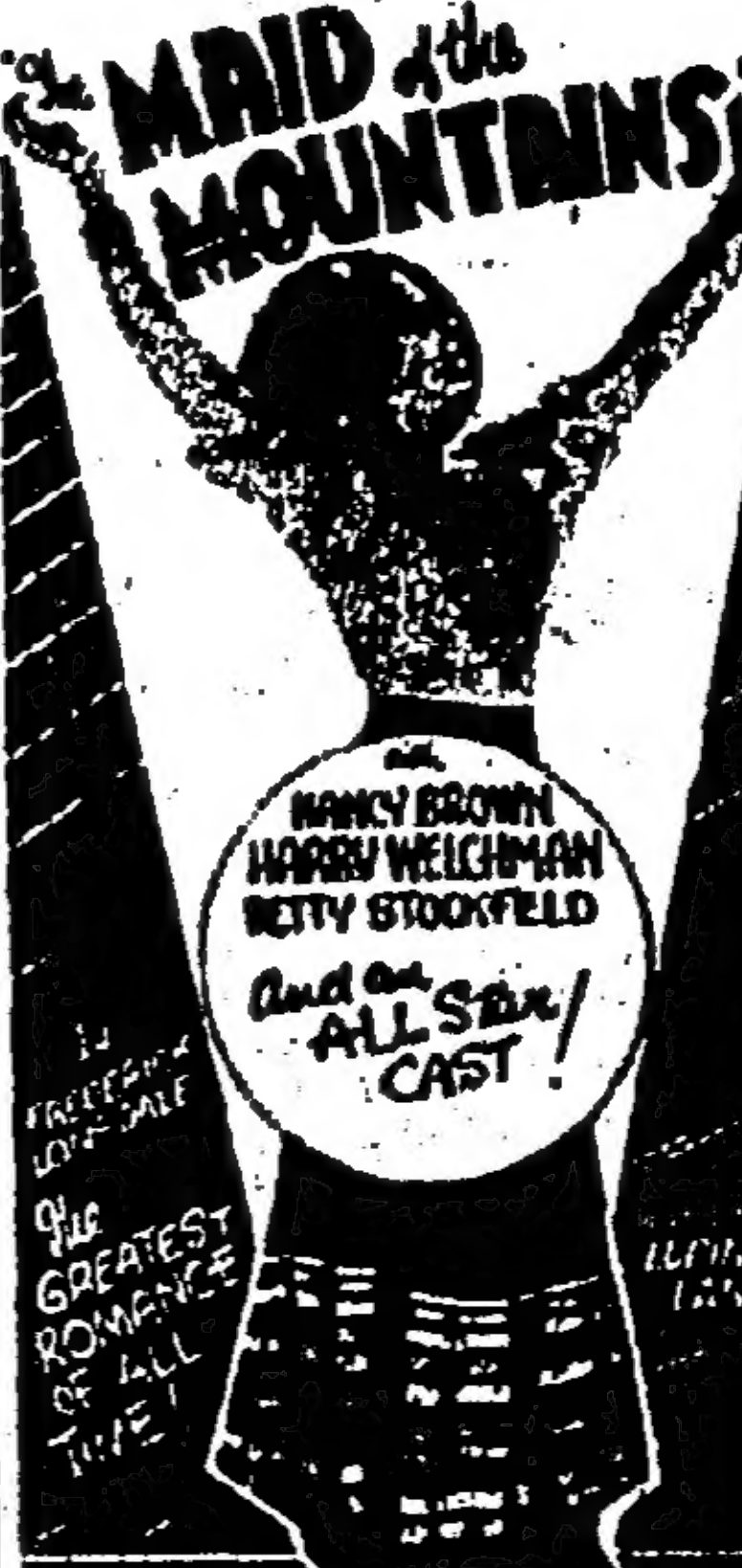
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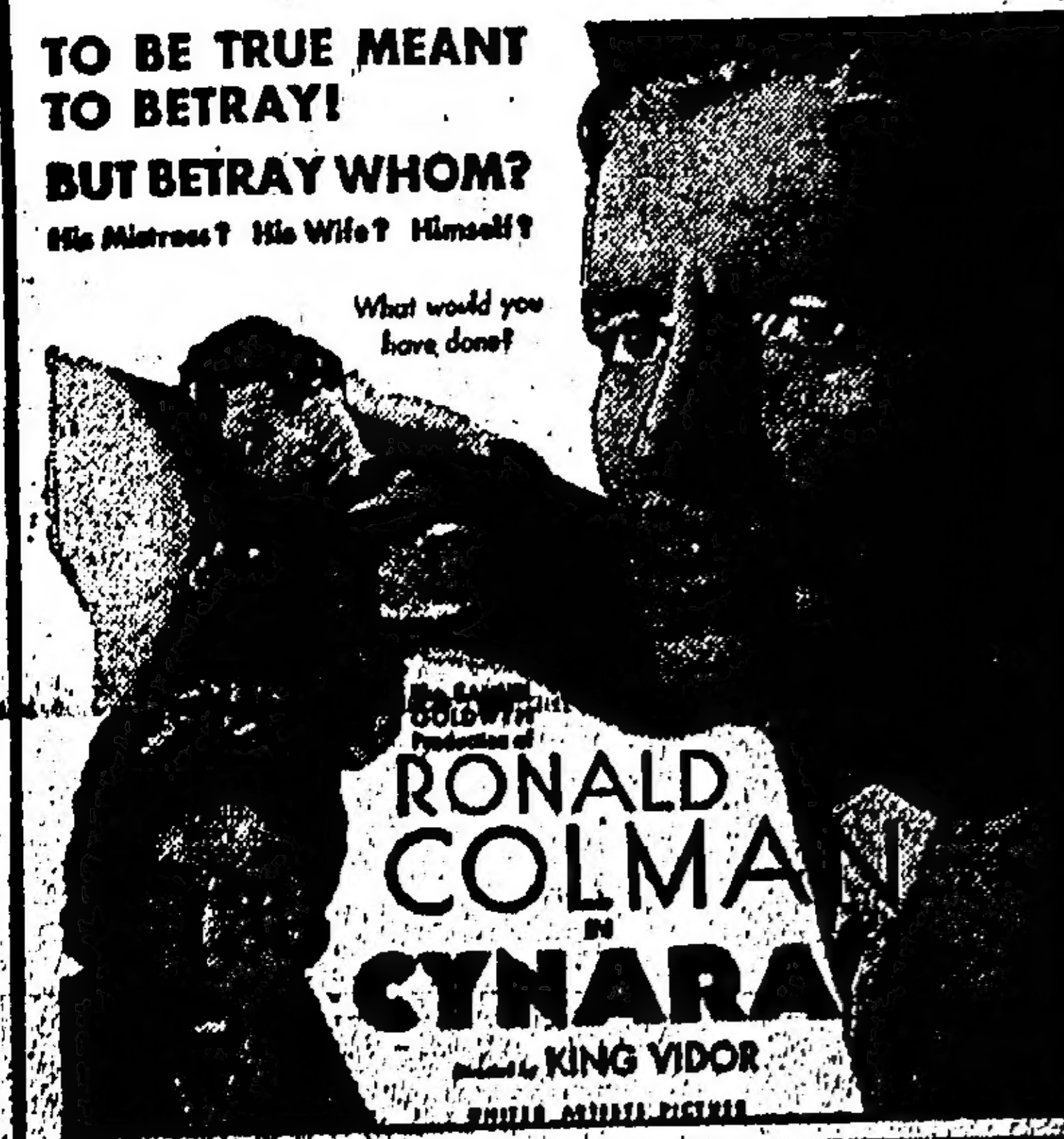
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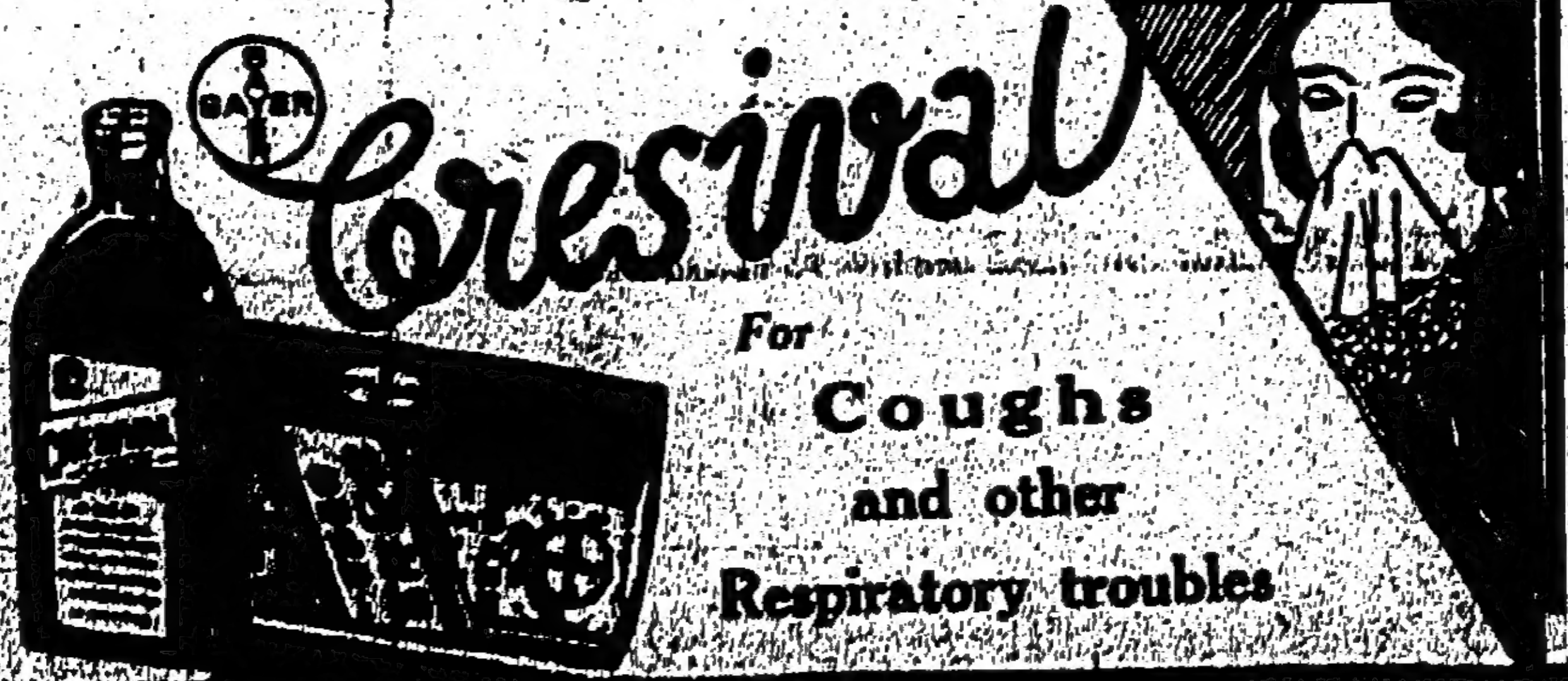


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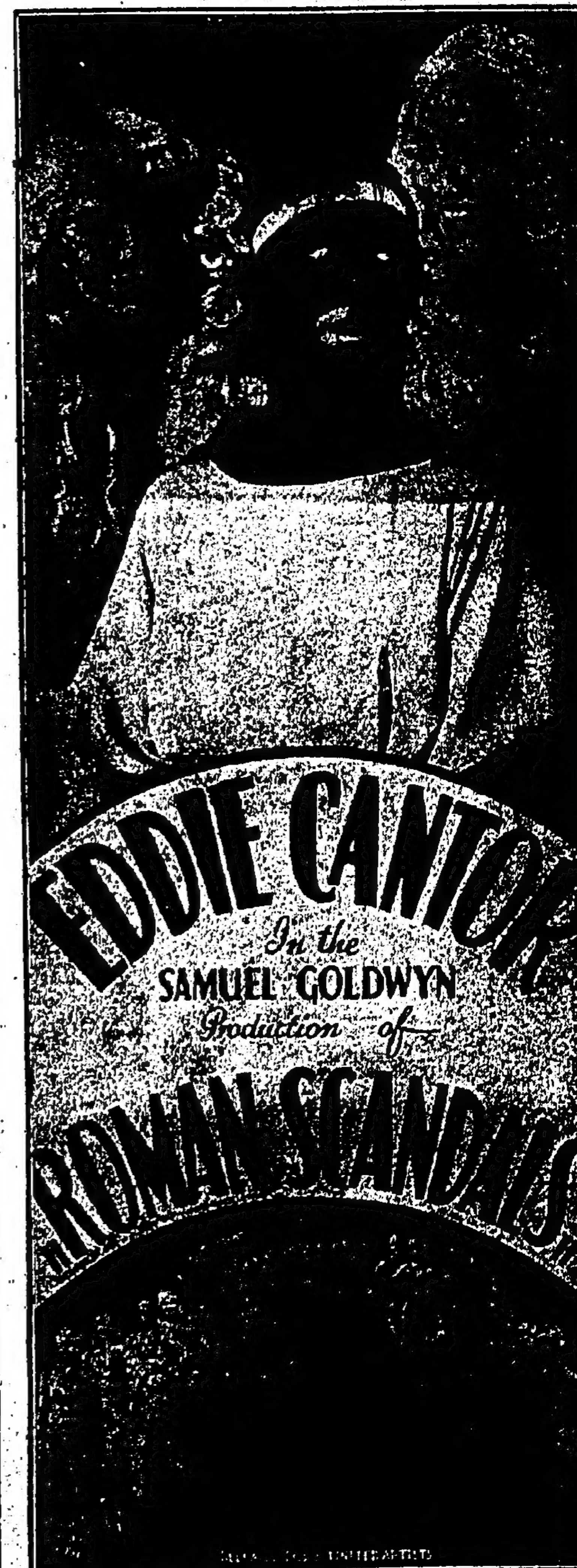
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